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### PEAK "STORE" SUMMONS.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT AND  
HON. MR. PATERSON.

### CASE DISMISSED.

A summons issued by the Sanitary Authority against Mr. Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, head of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., came before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. Paterson was summoned under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, "for that, being the owner of 117, Plunkett Road, The Peak, he knowingly permitted premises situated within the grounds on the west side of the main building and under his control, to be used for the storage of food intended for sale."

The sole witness for the prosecution was Sanitary Inspector A. G. Martin.

Chief Inspector Reynolds was present, as it was thought that he might be called as a witness by the defence.

At the outset of the proceedings, Sanitary Inspector A. G. Martin, stating the case for the prosecution, said that the activities complained of had been of a recurrent nature. In that they ceased upon measures being taken by the staff of the Sanitary Department, and resumed after an interval, say of two months, when it had appeared to the offenders that the trouble had blown over and the coast was clear. The place was being used as a market, with eggs, vegetables and other provisions being spread on the ground and a number of house-servants standing around to take delivery. Generally, it was difficult to come upon them unawares, as a keen look-out would be kept and the vendors warned of the approach of an Inspector.

Mr. Paterson, continued. Inspector Martin, was informed of the use being made of his premises by the Sanitary Department, and correspondence exchanged in June last could be produced to show that Mr. Paterson had been aware all along.

The incident upon which the present proceedings were based occurred, said Inspector Martin, on December 9. Round about ten o'clock that morning he visited the place, an outhouse to the west side of the main residence, and there found market activities in full swing, with provisions spread on the ground and people standing around to take delivery. The place was situated on a small hill which made approach difficult without being observed, and in consequence he had been put to considerable trouble.

Mr. Wadeson put in a preliminary objection against the inclusion of events which might have occurred in July in proceedings which concerned the very much later date of December 9. He also questioned the propriety of including statements of a hearsay nature.

Inspector Martin went into the witness-box, where, depositing to the visit he made on December 9, he stated that it appeared to him that the provisions spread on the ground were in the course of being divided up into lots, the conviction being strengthened by the spectacle of four servants standing around.

He asked two men whom he knew to be fokis of an Aberdeen fish-stall who were dealing out the provisions, whether they were selling the goods to Mr. Paterson's house alone or to several, but could not get them to say anything. Witness however, managed, while he was there, to get the names of some of the residents who were having dealings with these people.

### Alleged Hearsay.

Mr. Wadeson again objected to "hearsay evidence". Witness, continuing, said that the four servants who were standing about, waiting for the provisions to be divided up, were carrying pass-books from which he learned of the names of the residents.

Producing correspondence exchanged between Hon. Mr. Paterson and the Sanitary Department on the subject last July, witness proposed putting it in.

Mr. Wadeson's objection, renewed at this stage, was upheld by the Bench.

Requested to detail the provisions he saw, witness said that as far as he could recollect, there were between 4' and 5 lbs of meat; between 2' and 3' dozen eggs; 4 or 5 lbs of potatoes; one-half dozen sausages, and a quantity of different vegetables.

Mr. Wadeson showed where the prosecution had been at error in including eggs in the evidence. He showed where the Ordinance had exempted this item entirely from its provisions.

Witness admitted that he did not go up to Mr. Paterson's house to ascertain if Mr. Paterson was actually there.

Mr. Wadeson: So you don't know whether he was there or not?—I won't say definitely he was actually there at the time.

You made no inquiries?—No.

The dutiful witness said he discharged were of a discretionary nature, but certain days in the week were fixed for places to be visited. He reported the results of his visit on December 9 to his Senior Inspector, who in turn reported to the Medical Officer of Health.

### Head of Department.

Further questioned, witness said that the matter eventually came before the Head of the Sanitary Department, and he agreed that it was Mr. G. R. Sayer who finally instructed that a summons be applied for against Mr. Paterson.

Mr. Wadeson: So Mr. Sayer actually ordered you to make an application for a summons?—Yes.

So really the matter emanates entirely from Mr. Sayer?

His Worship interposed, referring Mr. Wadeson to the routine followed by the Department in these matters.

Mr. Wadeson: I am going to submit later—there was more in this than that.

Witness, further questioned, said that the outhouse where the alleged transactions took place was used as a garage. Mr. Paterson's car, however, was not there, and it was at the place vacated by it, where the food was spread, and where the servants were standing.

Mr. Wadeson said that, as a matter of fact, Mr. Paterson was at the date living at Shunghshui, in the New Territories.

Mr. Wadeson submitted that he had no case to answer. In order to succeed in their case, he said, the prosecution must prove, affirmatively, two fundamentals. Firstly, that Mr. Paterson knew of it (the summons had mentioned "knowingly"), and Mr. Wadeson submitted that the prosecution had not proved or advanced any evidence to show that Mr. Paterson knew of this on December 9, whatever he might have learned in a nebulous way on the much earlier date of July. Secondly, that he knew it was going on. Mr. Paterson permitted it to go on. At that point the prosecution must prove, but the evidence so far as that point was directly concerned, had been absolutely negative.

### Mr. Paterson Absent.

They had evidence that the goods were spread out on the floor of the garage which was otherwise empty, when presumably the car had been taken away. If Mr. Paterson were in Court, he would say that at the time he was living in Shunghshui. And so far as permission was concerned, Mr. Paterson's letter to the Sanitary Department in July showed that he did not only not permit it, but had stopped it at the time, the man who was then carrying on the business being his own Number One Boy who was now dead. It had resumed on December 9. It was without the knowledge of Mr. Paterson who was away in Shunghshui. "How on earth," observed Mr. Wadeson, "a Sanitary Authority, Mr. Sayer apparently, had brought himself to issue a summons that Mr. Paterson knowingly permitted this thing to go on in his house, I don't know. He must apparently have been grossly misinformed; or simply looked at it and signed it."

Mr. Schofield: I agree with you. When I read the summons I

### MINISTERS RETURN TO LABOURS.

### FORTHCOMING MEETING OF CABINET.

London, Jan. 6. The Prime Minister is leaving for London to-day, after three weeks at Lossiemouth, Scotland. He has greatly benefited from the change, although he maintained constant touch with affairs during his holiday.

Other Ministers are also returning to their departmental duties, and the Cabinet committee are resuming work prior to a full meeting of the Cabinet next week.

Mr. Lloyd George, who had completed his restoration to health on a voyage to Ceylon, reached England on Friday, and is expected to resume attendance in the House of Commons on its reassembly.—*British Wireless*.

### Public Confidence.

London, Jan. 6. When the Stock Exchange opened this morning, the principal feature was a further substantial improvement in the leading high class investment securities, following yesterday's interest payments on Consols of two and half per cent, et cetera, amounting to 26,500,000.

Funding loan in particular rose a half, to 8514, War Loan five advanced three-eighths to 9013, while several others improved an eighth.—*British Wireless*.

thought the place was used as a sort of permanent store.

### Retrenchment Commission.

Mr. Wadeson: Really, my instructions as a matter of fact, are that Mr. Paterson, when he was sitting on the Retrenchment Commission, made somewhat strong criticisms of the way in which the Sanitary Department was being carried on, and had been carrying on, and the lack of cohesion between that Department and the Police.

Mr. Wadeson related that so far as what happened in July was concerned, Mr. Paterson communicated with the Police and Chief Inspector Reynolds went up there to try to apprehend not only the offender, but also a receiver of stolen goods. He attempted to get the Sanitary authorities to cooperate with the Police in apprehending the man and brought him before the Court, but met with a refusal, the Sanitary authorities saying that they had nothing to do with it. Subsequent to that, Inspector Reynolds had the man under observation for some time, but there was no evidence upon which to proceed against him.

Mr. Schofield stated that he understood that the standing policy of the Sanitary Department was that a Sanitary Inspector should not be associated with prosecutions.

Concluding his case, Mr. Wadeson observed that here was a man in the person of Mr. Paterson who had tried to do his best, in the matter, and in whom the thought would rankle that he should be brought up there for keeping a store for rice and vegetables. "It is all very well," remarked Mr. Wadeson, "for Mr. Sayer to issue the summons but he had not come up here to prosecute. In fact I doubt if he could do it."

His Worship dismissed the summons.

Another Summons.

Connected with the case was a second summons against the Manager of the Aberdeen fish-stall for storing goods in the premises with the view to sale.

Defendant pleaded that his emporium used the place as a convenient point from where to distribute provisions to Peak customers.

In dismissing this summons also, his Worship directed that the defendant was to warn his fokis that if they had to deliver goods en the Peak they should faithfully go round to the different houses and not to make distributing centre of any one place.

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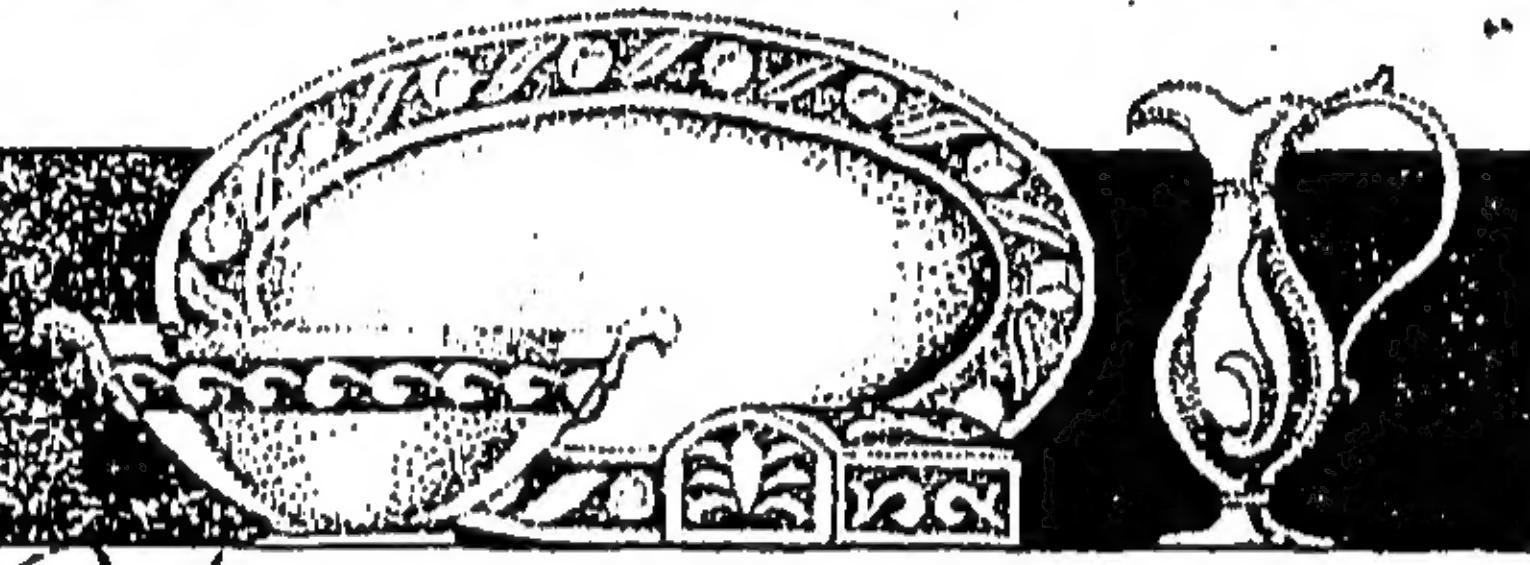
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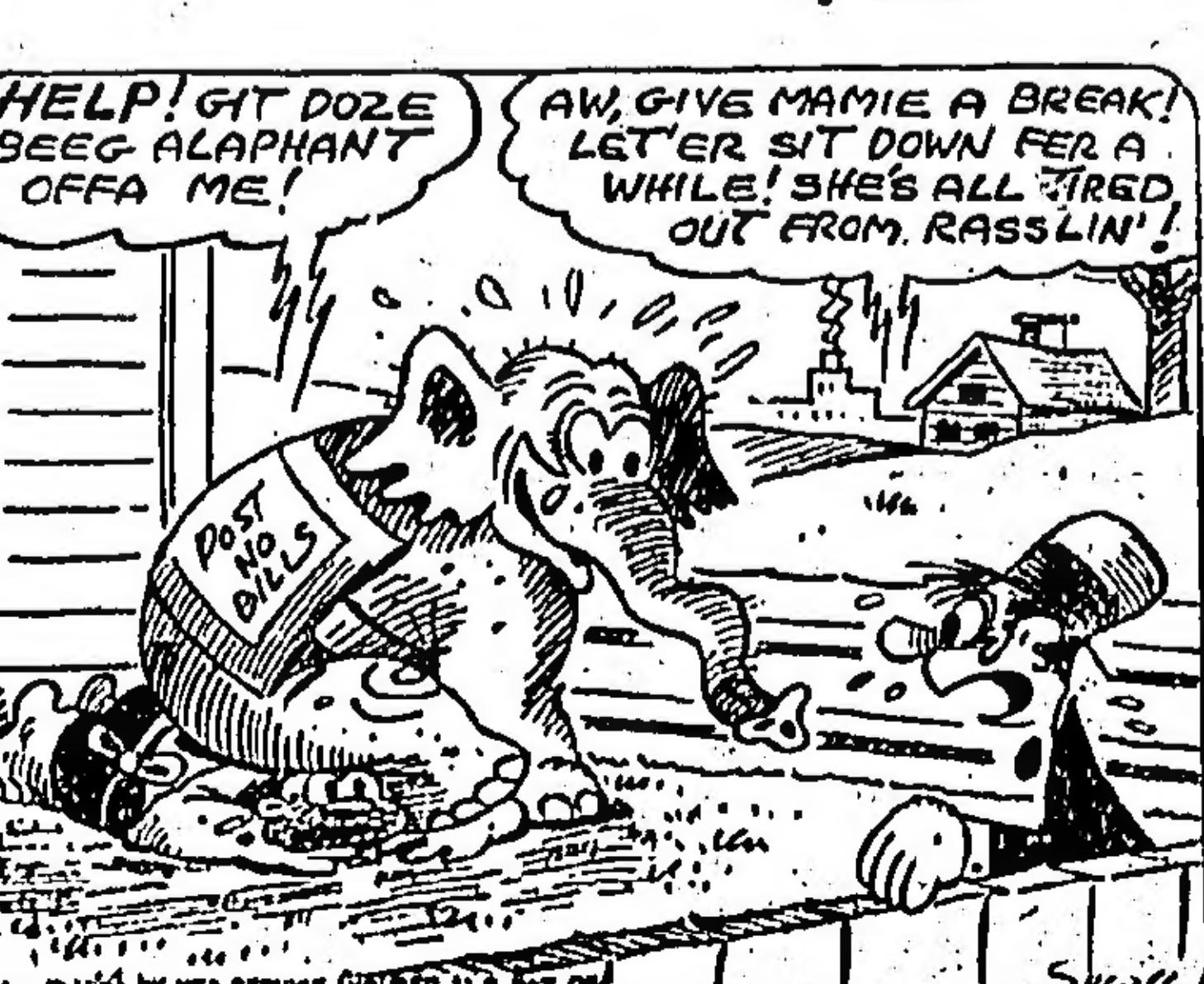
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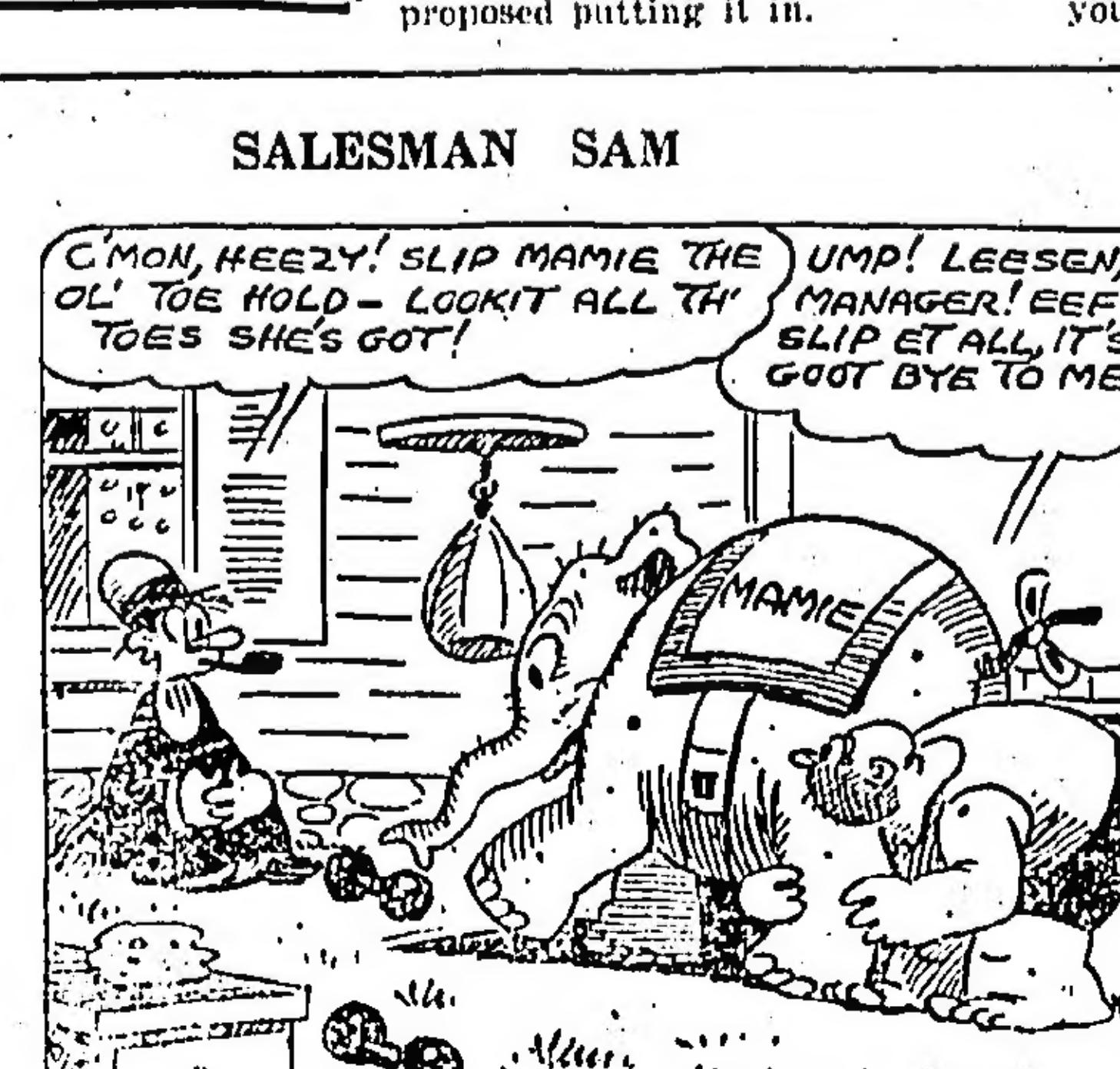
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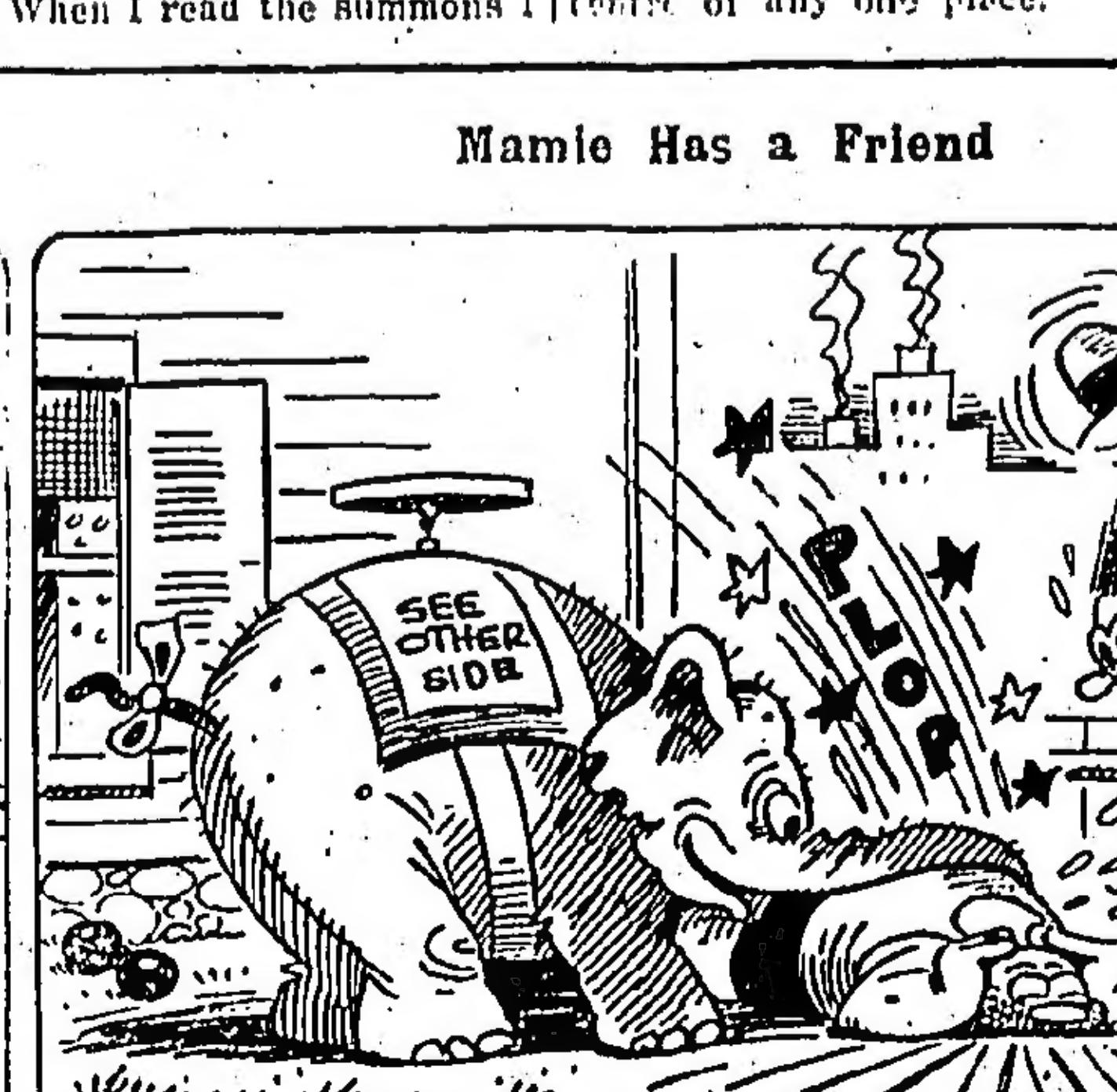
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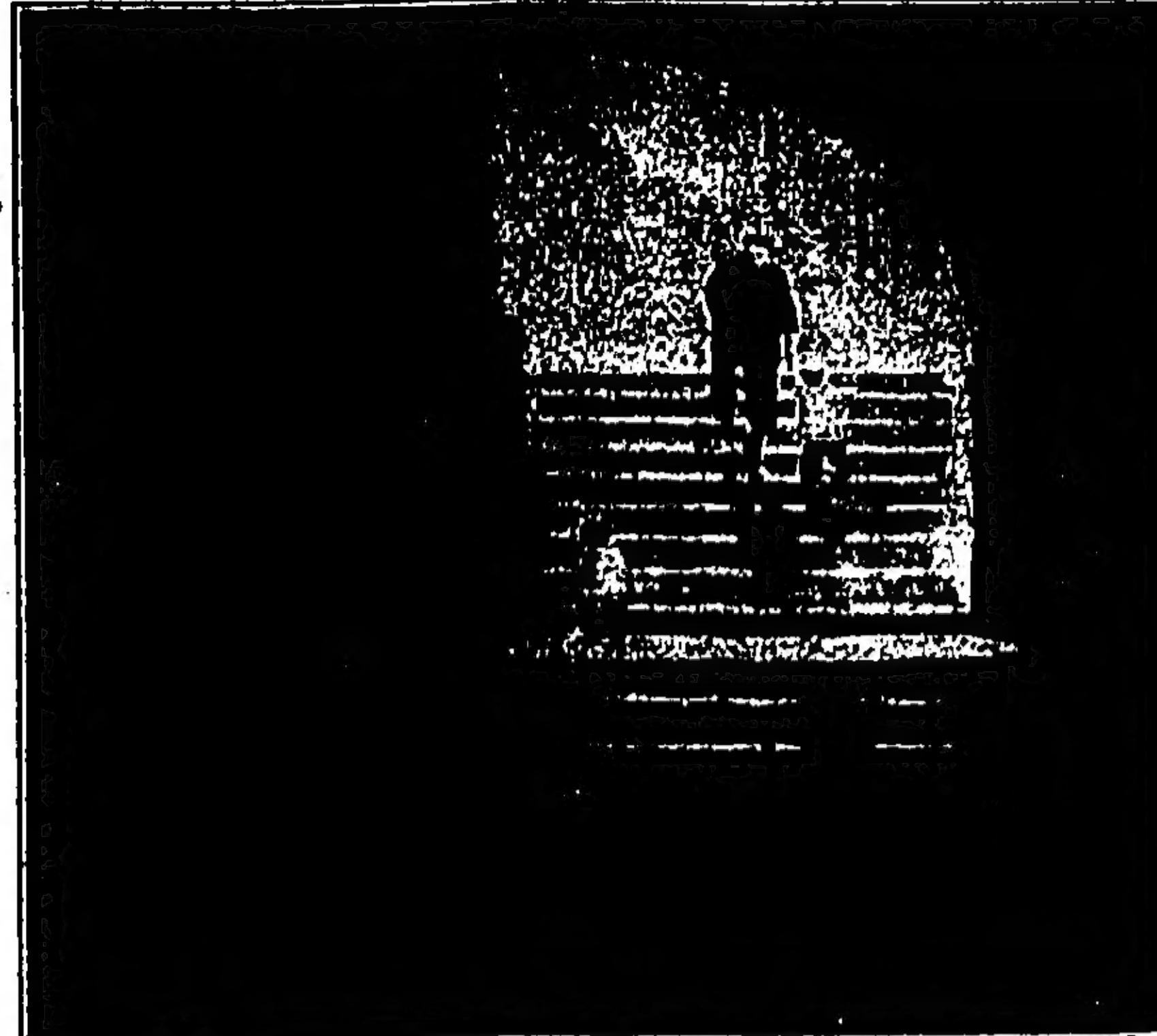
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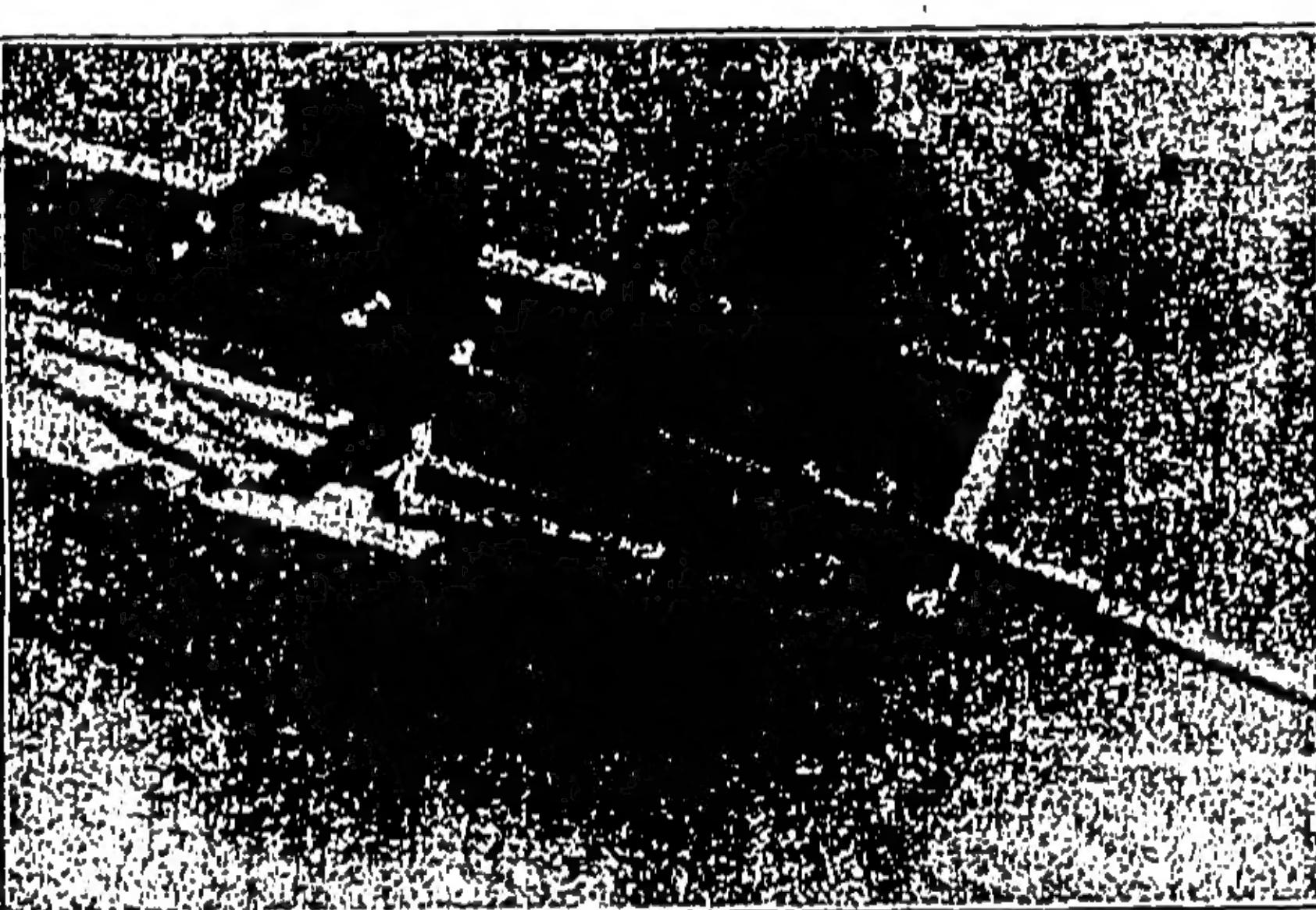
## UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB EXHIBITION: LONDON WEDDING.



Mr. Hwa Soon An's picture "Washington" which was one of the four hundred photographs judged at the Varsity Exhibition on Saturday.



In Old Hongkong, an excellent picture exhibited by Kho Kwong-wai, at the annual display of the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club.



A well composed photograph by Mr. Alfred Lock which is entitled "Piloting," and which was entered in the competitions at the University Exhibition last week.



This picture by a well known European photograph-artist, Mr. Frank R. Fraprie, F. R. P. S., is entitled "The Lip of the Dam."

## Gems of Peril

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BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

The thief who robs and kills old Mr. Jupiter during the engagement party fails to get the famous Jester necklace. Police drop the case, believing Mary's brother, Eddie, guilty. Eddie is run down by a car driven by a famous reporter for the Star, who covers Eddie's owing money to a racketeer, called The Fly and turns on Eddie, who then kills the racketeer. Eddie is then "gate-crasher" to Eddie's wedding the night of the murder.

Mary's fiance, Dick Rutherford, forbids her to go to the wedding, but she goes at once. Mary meets Bowen in a speakeasy where The Fly is hiding. Dick, on his way to pick up the Jupiter necklace, comes to take Mary home. The Fly follows them. Dick and Mary are followed by the same mob of men who killed Eddie. Bowen stops the thieves, turning his car front of them. Dick still carries the necklace of The Fly and Mary goes with Bowen. Bruce Jupiter returns from Europe with a woman friend.

### CHAPTER XXIII

Dolla thrust her head in the door and demanded: "Aren't you ever going to get up, Miss Mary? Think what day it is! And the packing! Who's to do that, if I don't, and how can I do it at all if I don't begin?"

Mary gave up trying to sleep any longer, and forced herself to face the old servant's curious eyes.

"I'm not going away just yet, Dolla," she told her. "Don't ask me any questions. I can't bear to talk about it. And put those things out of sight, won't you?" She pointed to yesterday's purchase pilled about the room. Then she turned her telltale eyes away.

"An' a fine mornin', too, an' any-one could wish for a weddin'," she grumbled.

"Oh, I'll be getting married one of these days—don't look so sour," Mary assured her. "I've this and that to do first; that's all. Did Mr. Bruce come?"

"Yes, and gone away again, al-ready," Dolla thumped pillows about grumpily. "I don't know whatever's come over the world that a nice young man like Mr. Bruce can't set foot in his home without his own father layin' it onto him. Faith and if I was Mr. Bruce, I'd never come home, that I

have found me as fine-lookin' a young man as him!"

Mary had been prepared to stay in her room, breakfasting alone, so that the Jupiters, father and son, might have the first hours of their reunion without the presence of outsiders. But if Mr. Bruce had gone away so soon, there was no reason why she shouldn't be about her own affairs. To her surprise, she saw that it was nearly noon.

"Did they row? Faith, and yo never heard the like! Says his pa: 'You're a skunk and a scamp, allygaggin' round Europe with them low foreigners, too busy spendin' money to come home, and yet another lyin' dead! Too busy to send a cablegram or a wreath o' flowers for her coffin! How have ye the face to walk in here with the black conscience on ye, dressed like a dudie and smellin' of rotten perfume?'"

Dolla paused for lack of breath. Discounting the obvious Cottelisms, Mary was still able to form a good idea of what Mr. Jupiter had said and meant, in greeting his only son.

"What did Mr. Bruce say?" she prompted. Pumperg servants was not a thing one did every day, but Mary excused herself on the ground that she had to know what Bruce was going to do, before she could decide what to do herself.

"Oh, sure, he'd a bunch of excuses at his tongue's tip. He'd sent a friend out to send off a cablegram, he said, and how was he to know it never went? And it was only fortnight ago that he got the news, indeed: he was that high up in them Alps mountains, paintin' pictures of glaziers, and the like of that. An' when he got the message, he come down at once, and took the first boat. An' if his pa wants to know where come that perfume from, the man in the barbershop squirted it on him by mistake and—

Mary burst into peals of laughter. "How does he explain those wuxed moustaches?" she demanded. "Don't tell me he keeps them like that in self-defense?"

"That I don't know," Dolla denied. "but I do know I'd have got married meself years ago if I'd



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would surely see his father's need. "Just reporting in. How's every-thing?" It was Bowen. "Oh, everything's fine," she lied, finding her voice with difficulty. "What's now?"

"The Fly's skipped town. I had a hunch he might."

"Oh—" there was utter despair in her wall. "There what are we to do?"

"Well, Hinalah opens next week. I've just about got the boss talked into sending me down there to have a look around. The Fly's horse was shod yesterday. He'll be there, if he's alive."

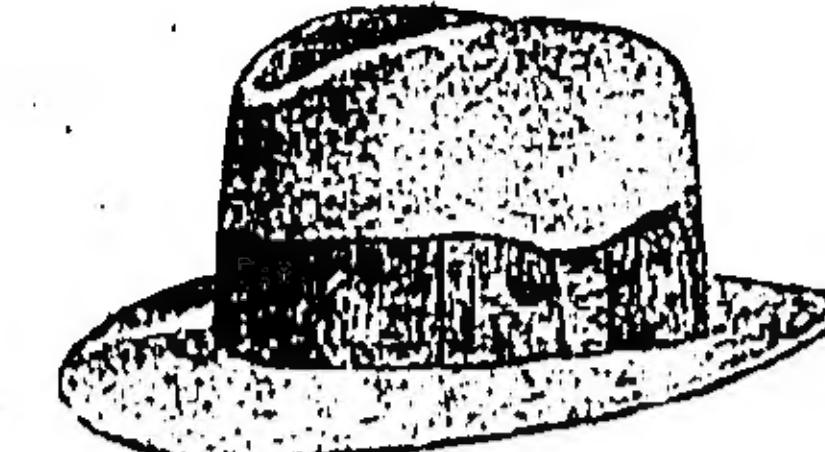
Mary started to speak, but he interrupted her.

"Now, listen. Hero's more grief. I don't suppose anybody on God's green earth will believe me, especially Ruyther, but I didn't have a thing to do with this—didn't know it till the paper came out and then (Continued on Page 11.)

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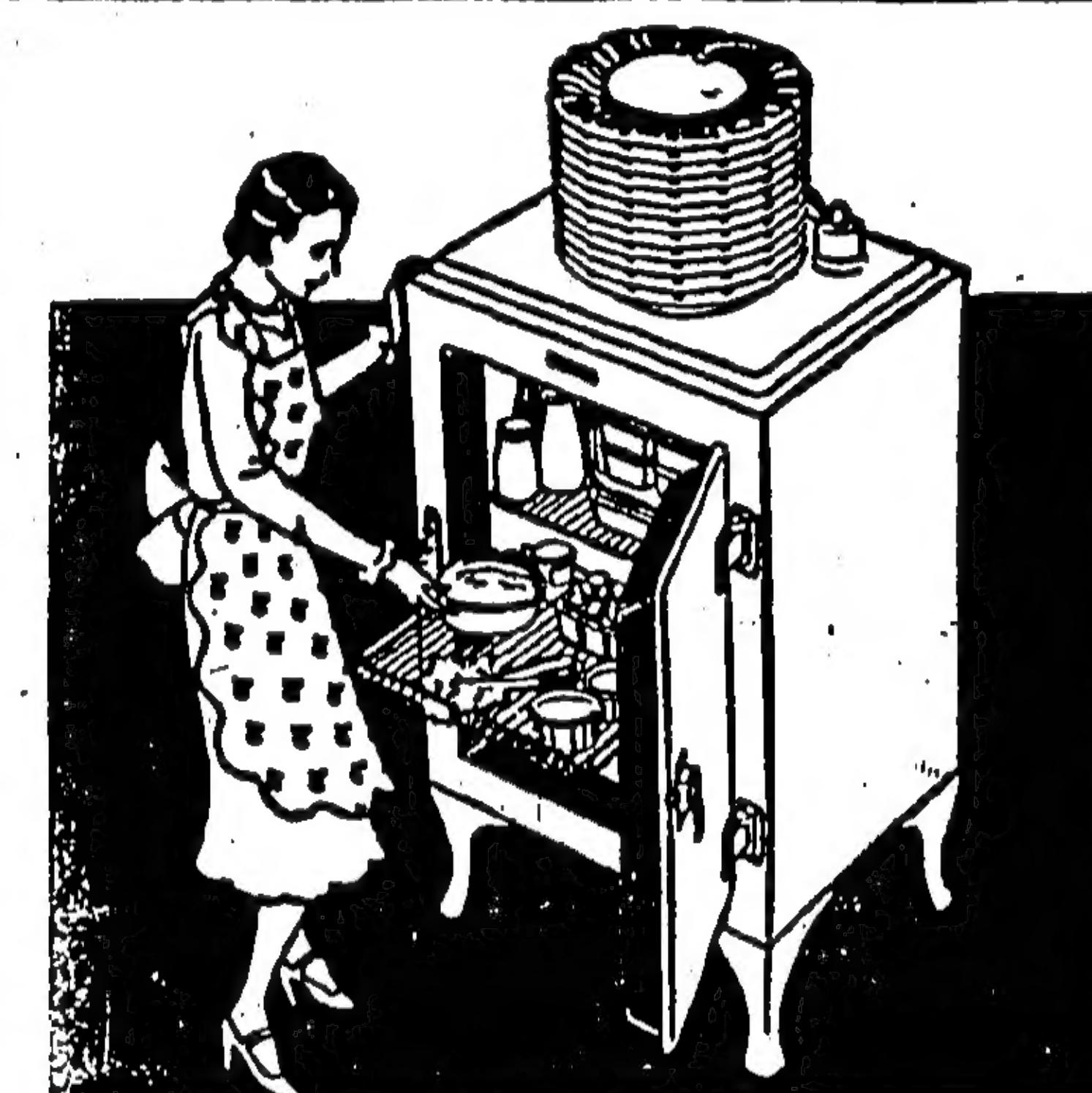
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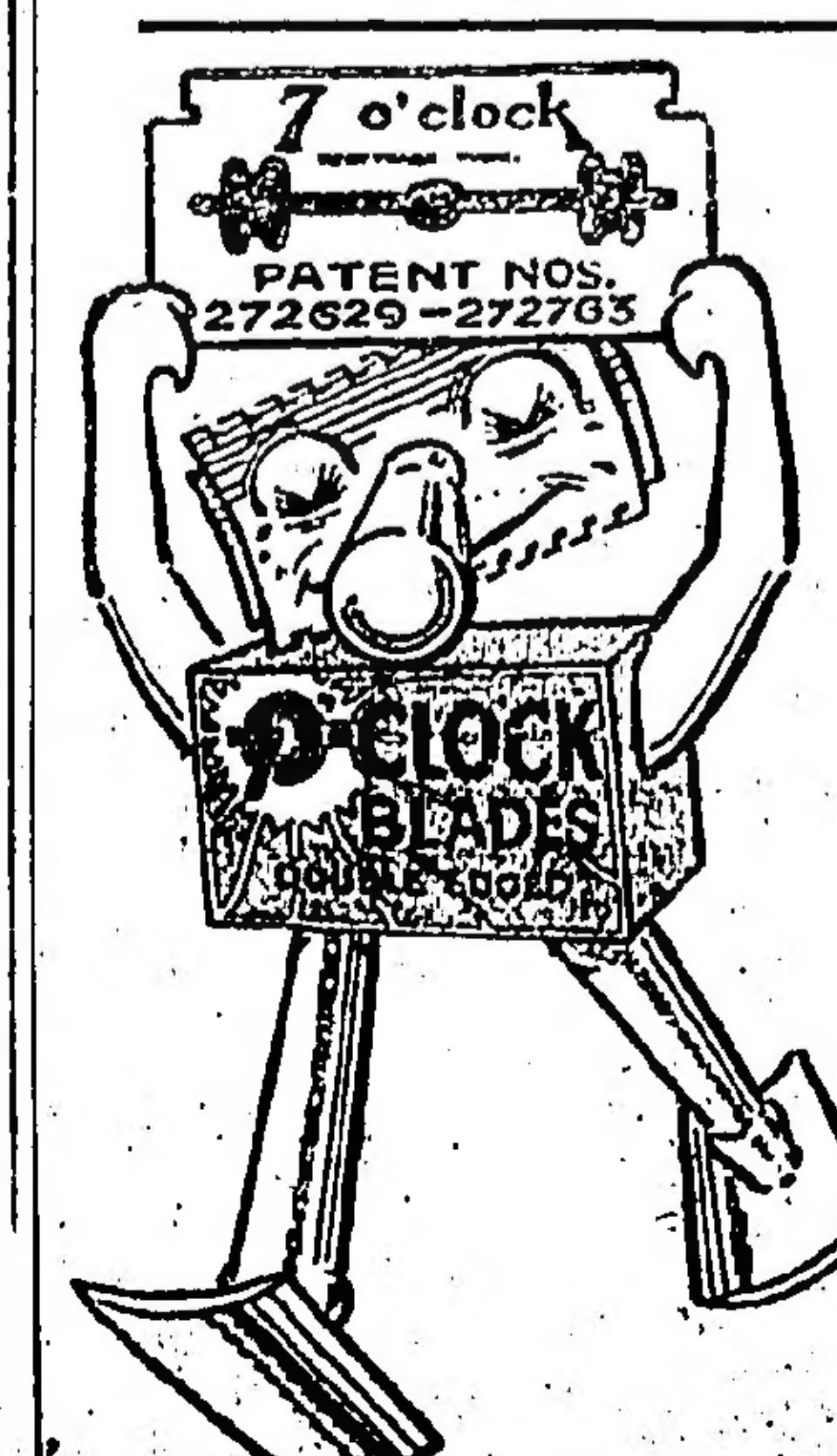
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Rev. Allen is to be tendered a welcome social at the Church Hall to-morrow night, and will preach his first sermon in the new church on Sunday morning.

Rev. Allen however is no stranger to Hongkong, having passed through the Colony on several occasions, when associated with the English Presbyterian Mission in China. He was stationed in Kwangtung, a few miles from Swatow. On one occasion he took a service in the old Union Church in Jordan Road.

While in China, Rev. Allen met his wife, who was also engaged in missionary work. He left Swatow about five years ago and has since been stationed at Liverpool and Cardiff. He is well acquainted with Rev. J. Horace Johnston, former minister of the Kowloon Church.

## U. S. BOMB OUTRAGES.

## HOPE OF TRACING GUILTY PERSONS DISPELLED.

New York, Jan. 6. Hopes that the perpetrators of the bomb outrages at the end of December had been traced, were dispelled when three men arrested on suspicion of complicity were released to-day after five hours' questioning.—*Reuter's American Service*.

It was reported on December 30 that a message from Easton, Pennsylvania, stated that one Post Office official was killed and two seriously injured, one fatally, in consequence of the explosion of two postal packages among a batch of seven addressed to the Italian Consul-General in New York, the Italian Consulate at Pittsburgh, and several Italian and other foreign papers in New York.

The packages were left at the Post Office by two men who departed hurriedly. One exploded, killing one of the clerks and blowing off both the arms of another clerk. The second parcel exploded while being examined in the open air by a dynamite expert, who was seriously injured.

On January 1 it was reported that another murder attempt had been foiled, aimed at Count Grandenigo, the Italian Consul-General at Cleveland. A parcel had been despatched to Cleveland from New York and when opened was found to contain an infernal machine. The intercepted postal package was declared by an expert to contain enough explosive to wreck half a block.

The attempts are attributed to an anti-Fascist organisation.

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## DAINTY SHOES.

## Stepping Smartly.

Shoes of character are seen with the simplest suits this season, and there is much variety in the new styles. Brown is still very popular, perhaps because it looks well with greens, blues, and brown, which are promised as the most fashionable of the new coats.

There is a very dainty court shape with moderately pointed toe in brown calf, of a tint called sable, oval grain lizard having been used for the toe-cap and the little bow at the left side.

In fact, one's first impression of the new footwear is that few eccentricities are permitted—no dangling ends in the way of material bows or loose leather tags; shades of one colour have ousted violent contrasts; heels are rarely spikily high, just moderately so and slightly shaped.

## These Persist.

It really seems as though we are to have court shoes with us always. They make fat feet look slimmer, and that is sufficient explanation of their popularity. There is an air of slender shapeliness about a court shoe in python skin, beautifully marked and with a finish as soft as velvet. This is in a lovely shade of fawn.

Another court shoe, quite different, is of black suede and

smooth calf, and though the toe is not so pointed as on the python skin the back fits snugly over the wearer's heel. But, for utter simplicity, there is a beautifully shaped court shoe in black calf, with a line of punching at the edge. The heel here is leather and of a moderate Cuban height.

In its latest guise sealskin is rich in colour, and I have seen well-shod feet in a brown court shape, as well as a dark blue strap shoe. Crocodile in a small graining is up-to-the-minute, and black and white lizard is ideal with a black ensemble; for the same reason patent leather cleverly inset with grey lizard is fashionable. So is black suede and matt calf, the calf coming across the toes and again at the back. This just avoids being a court shoe, having the fastening low across the instep.

But the most fascinating tie shoe I have seen in the new collection is of oval grain lizard, and this, too, has very slender strips to lace low over the instep.

## Almost a Brogue.

Shoes with a brogue effect appeal because they are not too broad, nor too low, and very comfortable. There is one in black calf with a high Cuban heel, and a bold arrangement of perforations. Java lizard and dark brown calf combine in the making of a single-strap shoe, the shapely toe-cap being heavily punched, and a baby Louis heel and light, welted sole ensures that it is reliable for hard wear.

And then there are the silk dancing shoes. These are the most exciting of all the new styles. Perhaps they match the evening gown, perhaps not. Among those which do not is a lovely pair in blue spotted silk, with the narrowest of straps and a small motif in silver.

Straps and a small motif in silver leather at the side. Jewelled buttons are interesting and so are the jewelled buckles which are usually small and sometimes coloured. Studded heels are high and glittering and go on shoes well sloped at the sides.

The days of sandal shapes with low heels or no heels, is past and with to-night's lengthy skirt, narrow, pointed toes and very high heels seem to suit all feet.—Olga Watson in *Exchange*.

## NEW SCARVES.

The woman who wishes to look smart travelling seriously considers the matter of scarves this season. The scarf is often a gay touch that gives charm and individuality to the necessarily simple travelling outfit.

Printed and patterned scarves are chic, and so are plain scarves in bright colours. They may be silk or wool, or both. They may be knitted or made out of woven material.

## FASHION NOTES.

## That Bronze Colour.

There is a sort of bronze astrakhan at the furrier's which is very becoming. But so is brown carnal, and brown Persian lamb. All these flat furs are suited to models which fit the figure, and a simple half-length style with huge collar and deep cuffs is as useful in the day as in the evening.

A coat I admired most in a recent collection of lovely fashions to come was worn over a brown and orange satin frock. The coat was in orange velvet and had much brown fur, of the soft, loose sort, as immense cuffs and again to edge the epaulettes which disappeared into the coat lapels in front. Here was a perfect blending of colours.—H. M. in *Exchange*.

## VELVET EVENING COATS.

Most of the new velvet confections for evening are now being fashioned with high, cut-away waist, after the style of a "monkey jacket". Medici collars of quilted velvet to match are seen on many of the coats; one attractive model has wide bell sleeves, decorated half-way up by small flat, velvet flowers, with similar blossoms appearing on one of the lapels.



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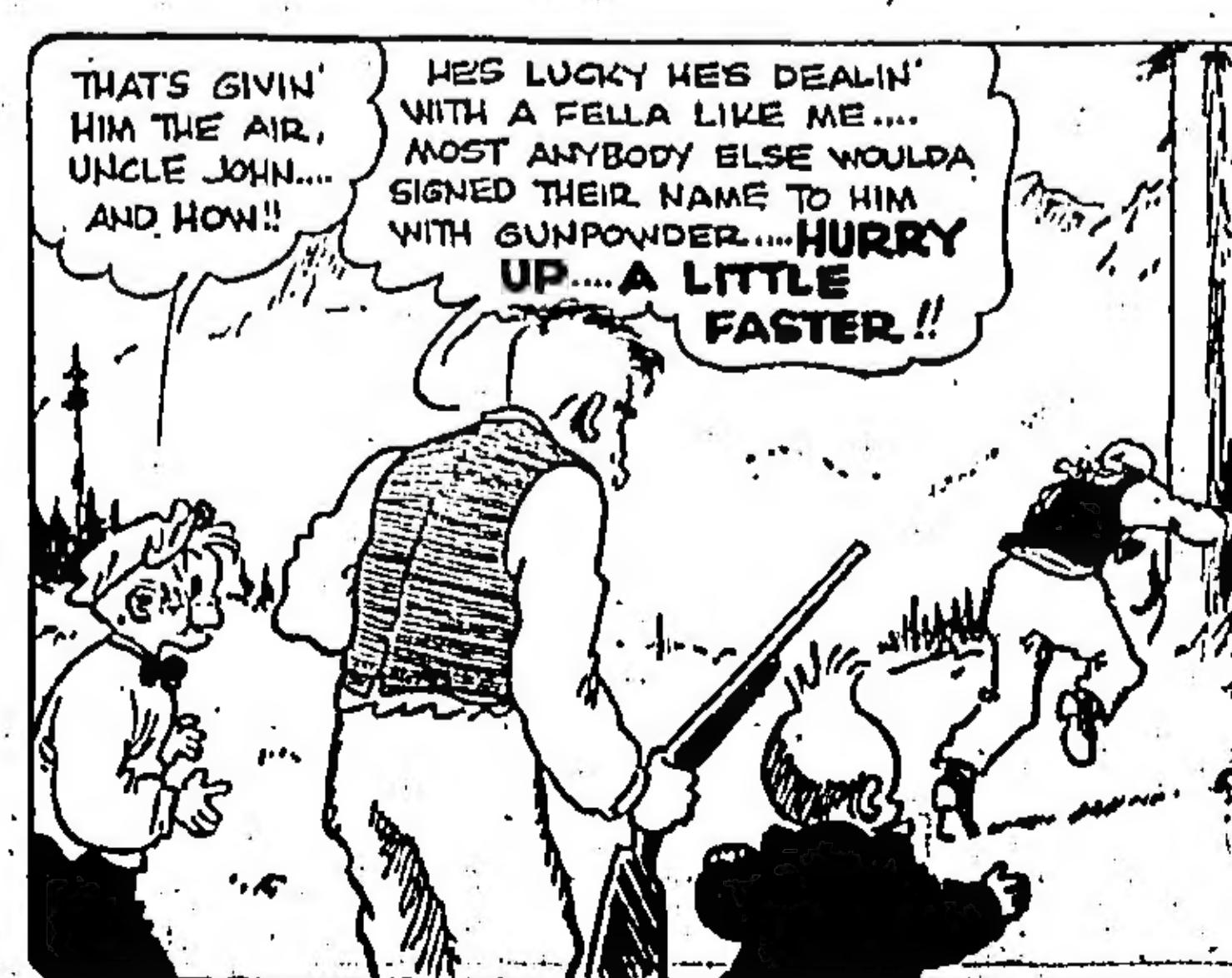
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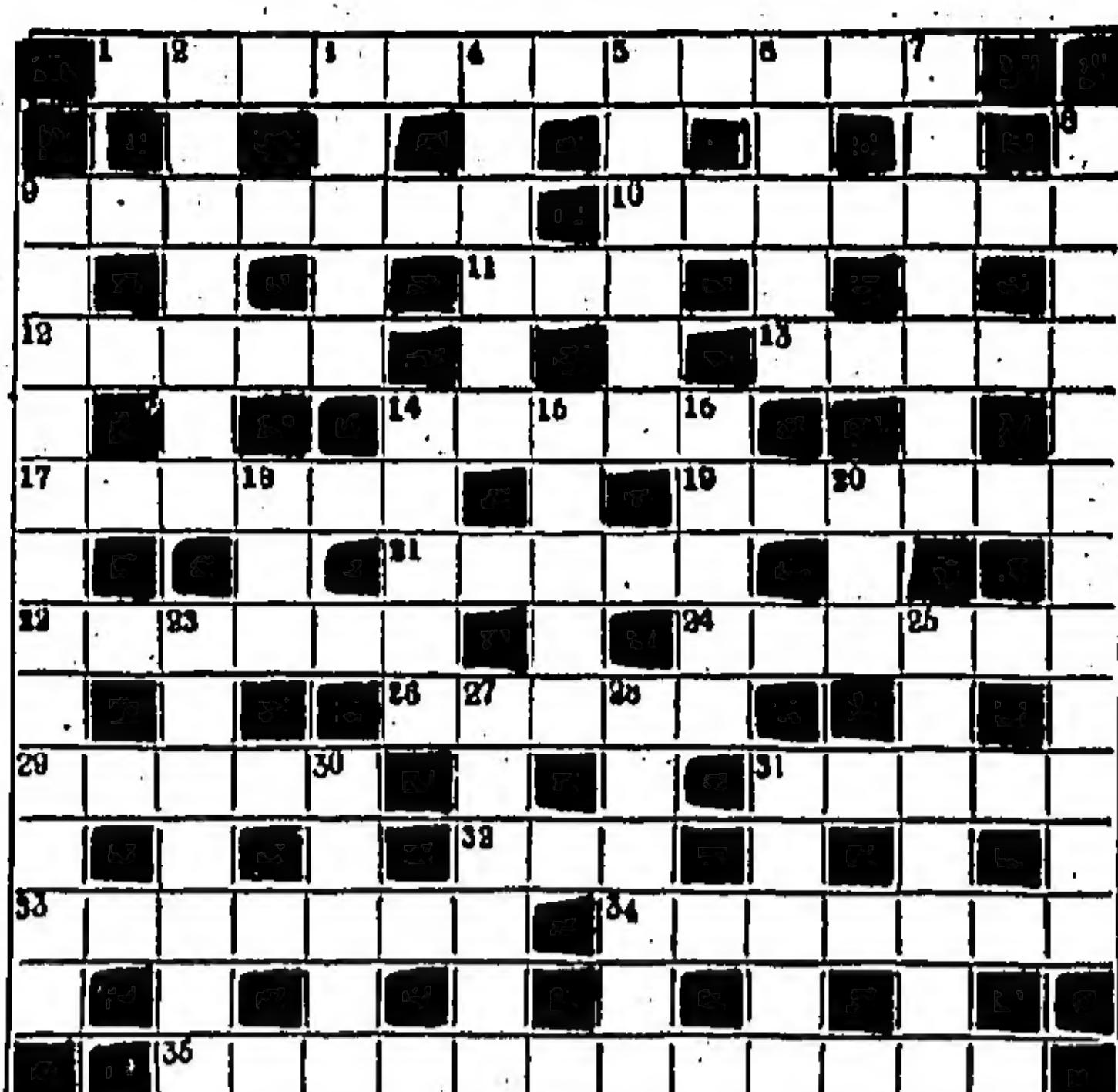
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## Across

1 The writer of a book is possessed of power. This, you will, admit, is sanctionable.  
 2 A rat from.  
 3 Figuratively.  
 4 I support a Lancashire town where it begins to run down a clergyman.  
 5 Grand for the races.  
 6 Merely a bore, no matter how enthusiastic it sounds.  
 7 Trees that are frequently greased in order to get things moving.  
 8 Gee up!  
 9 This gent is hot stuff.  
 10 The decent is hot in, but the sun rises at last.  
 11 Thus the episode ends.  
 12 Too sure.  
 13 Insist upon this, and get it absolutely correct.  
 14 Here one may find shelter in one's unconscious moments.  
 15 Compass this—out of another shelter.  
 16 A fruit with a stutter, it would seem.  
 17 "As an—dropped down from the clouds"—King Henry IV." Part I.  
 18 Equal-sided triangle.  
 19 You have reason to be afraid of this dangerous fellow.  
 20 Scum that never rises to the surface.  
 21 A portion of an opera.  
 22 Slow and ungraceful movement that is, to a great extent, unfinished.  
 23 Look up any fine night to see this when a major follows.  
 24 Strangely enough, these may be played on outings.  
 25 A grant made in the public service.  
 26 "Did he meet C. as" promised, at the house next door? (hyphen) (anng.).  
 27 Dutch city in which one may easily detect the Churt, note.  
 28 Just think. Wise men are of assistance here.  
 29 There doesn't seem to be much reason for getting excited about an English river—but there you are!

30 The dressmaker frequently finds this necessary to improve its last part of a garment.  
 31 If you look up you'll find good food in the French Dependency.  
 32 A measure.

Yesterday's Solution.

GENEROUS DESPOT  
 UPLAAT XE  
 NEURITIS OPTION  
 NIGLICULM D  
 EPHESIANE EXUDER  
 R TEL BOTEL N  
 SALVIA ISAAC  
 CUCURVIS ANNIE  
 RATHER  
 TELTEA AC  
 AMITY GUATEMALA  
 CECIL OLEVN  
 ORKNEY SIDEWALK  
 METN GNDL  
 BADGER INITIATE

## POLICE IN INDIA ACTIVE.

## MORE CONGRESS LEADERS ARRESTED.

London, Jan. 6.

An extensive round-up of Congress leaders is taking place at Bombay to-day. Among those taken into custody besides Mr. Vithalbhai Patel (brother of the Congress President, already arrested), are Mr. Nariman, head of the Bombay Congress Committee, and Mr. Nagindas, one of the chief organisers of the civil disobedience campaign. No serious trouble was encountered by the police.

## Clash in Benares.

In Benares yesterday, however, there was a clash between the police and a crowd when the former, having been pelted with stones, fired a few rounds, one rioter being killed.

## Home Press Comment.

The *Daily News* states—"Reports from all parts of India and particularly the north show that efforts to organise a hartal and other demonstrations against the Government action have fallen flat, as the last boycott movement so nearly emptied the people's pockets that they are in no mood to tolerate it again".

## JAPAN'S SPY SCARE.

## SEAMEN FROM BLUE FUNNEL VESSEL ARRESTED.

Tokyo, Jan. 6. Five sailors from the Blue Funnel vessel *Antiochus* have been arrested at Hakodate for trespassing in a fortified area.

They are under examination by the local procurator's office, and are expected to be released with a warning.—*Reuter*.

## The Ordinances.

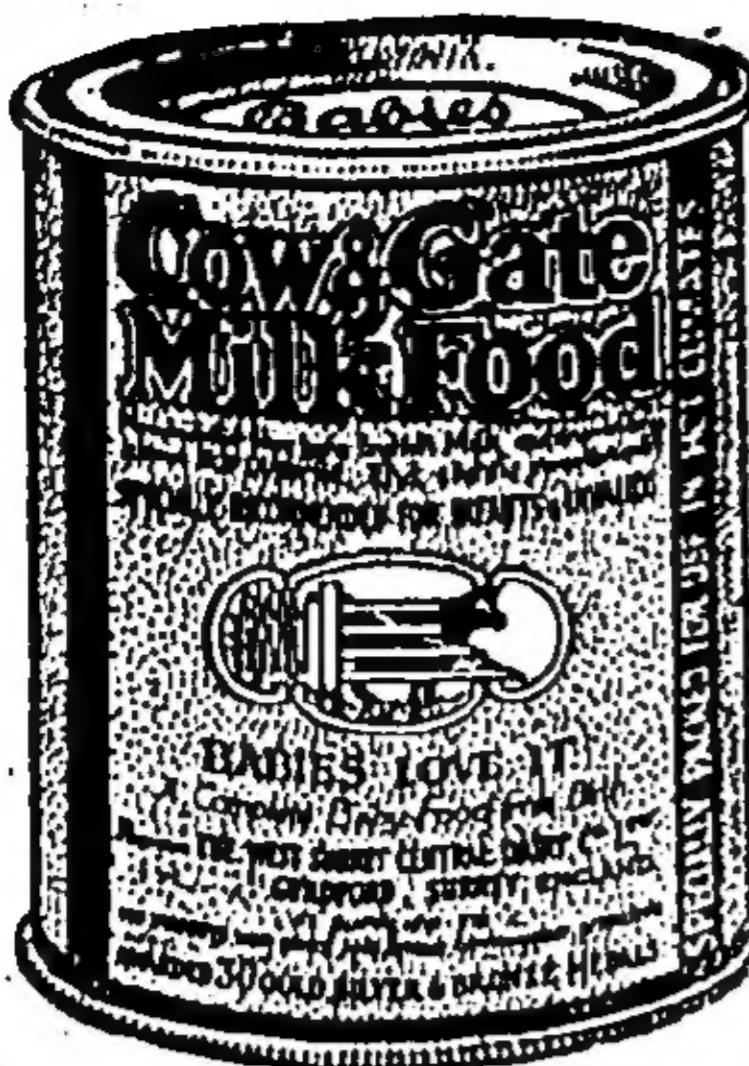
Further emergency Ordinances issued yesterday give special powers to the Magistracy for coping with the civil disobedience movement. Broadly speaking, the Ordinances now in force have been drafted in the light of the earlier experience of Congress tactics, and are designed to counter these promptly and with the minimum of disturbances.

The *Manchester Guardian*, in a survey of these measures, says that while the area affected by the emergency powers may be extended as required, the Government will naturally be anxious to avoid, as far as possible, putting measures into force that would interfere with the normal movements of the population.—*British Wireless*.



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6th January to Mr. and Mrs.  
S. S. Perry, a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1932.

POLITICAL TRENDS IN CHINA: II.

The emergence of a new Chinese Government, in which the head of the late Government has accepted a subordinate position, marks a triumph of political and constitutional principles within the Kuomintang. Mr. Wang Ching-wei can rightly regard the result with some satisfaction. The result once achieved may pave the way to the abjuring of military methods in effecting a change of government, and if, as at present seems likely, Chiang Kai-shek has indeed resisted the temptation to dominate politics by force, and has sacrificed "immediate" personal ambition for the sake of political principle, he has set an example of political integrity which will have its effect in Chinese politics generally and will redound in no small measure to his personal credit. He will the more probably return to power in the future with strong popular backing because he has to that degree preferred the public interest to personal ends.

The Kuomintang has not, however, won its internal victory without serious cost. It is still impossible to estimate how serious has been the damage to the credit of China among the nations by the spectacle, as it appeared, of political incompetence at the moment when it was necessary for her to present a united front against Japanese aggression, and so strengthen the hands of the League. Internally, too, the cost has been great. While the Kuomintang has been engaged with strife within its own ranks, the nation has grown increasingly impatient. Political theories which exclude the Kuomintang have been growing apace. Quiet citizens throughout the land have been disgusted by the excesses of local *fang-pu*. These have been the prey of mercenary professional politicians, with whom the respectable elements of society would have nothing to do, and the Kuomintang has come to stand, not for the Three Principles, but for corrupt local administration. Against this background the rival theories of politics have thriven, especially in the universities and schools. The student class, whose members have demonstrated in so disorderly a fashion at Nanking, not only brutally

attacked Dr. C. T. Wang, and subsequently other leading men, but most significantly sacked the head offices of the Kuomintang. The students are said no longer to support the Party at all. They are divided along the two extreme lines with which we are becoming increasingly familiar in European politics, into what correspond to Fascist and Communist groups. For some reason or other, Communism, whose expression has often been ruthlessly suppressed among other classes, has been tolerated in the universities. Political theory more speedily issues into action in Eastern than Western countries, and the student influence is more direct.

The late Government was impotent in the face of the student agitation, which was carried on openly with Communist slogans and with patent disregard of the law. Another party has, however, appeared in student politics. The Nationalist Party, which savours of Fascism and may ultimately sponsor a political dictatorship, is rapidly acquiring political influence. It will be interesting to see how the new Government will deal with these new political forces. Will the Kuomintang continue in a middle way and succeed in leading the country to constitutionalism? Or will it split, one section sponsoring one of the new parties, one another?

French Offer to Germany.

France has come forward, somewhat dramatically, with a profession of her willingness to extend the German moratorium on the conditional annuities until July 1934. And the price of the offer is the postponement of the Lausanne Reparations Conference, which Britain urged should be held on January 18, until the last week in February. Three other important matters for early discussion are to be noted. The standstill agreement affecting Germany's private debts matures on February 29. The Disarmament Conference is scheduled to open at Geneva on February 2. The League Council meets to re-examine in the light of fresh developments, the Manchurian situation on January 25. The puzzle at this distance is to discover the connexion, if any, between the unexpected French offer and these particular matters. It seems a pleasing enough gesture at first glance, but where is the catch in it? It has been the special forte of France to establish bargaining points in advance of negotiations. She must anticipate a searching for motives. The desire for postponement appears to foreshadow important happenings between now and February 25 which may influence the conference, render its task easier, or the concession part more difficult. It is impossible to believe that the urgency of what Mr. Ramsay MacDonald calls the "great menace" of the European financial problem has disappeared miraculously rendering an early meeting unnecessary. It is evident from the latest British communiqué in reference to the appointment of Sir Maurice Hankey as Secretary-General to the Conference that nothing has occurred to lead Britain to consider the desirability of postponement or to expect a French request for postponement beyond a day or two at the outside. For the same reason, it would seem unlikely that the offer is the result of the Franco-British preliminary discussions. It is possible, of course, that France seeks the delay merely to employ a probable reparations concession as a lever to take the strain off France at the disarmament conference. Britain's reaction to the French desire will be awaited with some interest.

Found under the bed in a shop at 56, Des Voeux Road Central, yesterday afternoon, a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, charged with loitering with intent to commit a felony, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. Detective Sergeant McHardy told his Worship that the defendant was found by two folks under one of the beds. When questioned he said he was looking for a cook, but there was no such person as mentioned by the defendant on the premises. The defendant had a conviction for a similar offence at Nanking, not only brutally

DAY BY DAY

THE MAN TO WHOM THE UNIVERSE DOES NOT DIRECTLY REVEAL WHAT RELATION IT HAS TO HIM WHOSE HEART DOES NOT TELL HIM WHAT HE OWES TO HIMSELF AND OTHERS—THAT MAN WILL SCARCELY LEARN IT OUT OF BOOKS; WHICH GENERALLY DO LITTLE MORE THAN GIVE OUR ERRORS NAMES—Guthrie.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due at Shanghai on the 8th at noon and leaves for Hongkong on the 9th.

An effective wall calendar has been issued by Messrs. Gilman and Co. as agents for Malfiarano, Lang's well-known biscuits.

The handbook of the New Territories Agricultural Show, to be held on Saturday and Sunday, may be had from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh this afternoon.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Revenue Officer Harold Victor Pearce, No. 76, Morrison Hill Road, to Miss Elizabeth Neva Thomas, No. 120, Whitfield.

Leung To, a deafute, died at the Government Civil Hospital, yesterday the victim of a fatal accident at Connaught Road West, where he was knocked down by a tram-car.

One notification of diphtheria—European—was made to the Medical Officer of Health this morning. Yesterday there were no new local cases, but one imported contact was reported.

Scholars of the Government and other schools in Hongkong and Kowloon will be admitted into the New Territories Agricultural Show on Saturday on passes duly issued by the Headmasters or Headmistresses. The handbook for the Show may be had from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh this afternoon.

The Committee of St. Patrick's Society of Hongkong expect a large attendance at the first annual general meeting of the Society, to be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden tomorrow Friday, January 8, at 6.15 p.m. The annual report, which has been in the hands of members for some days, has been received with considerable pleasure.

A bus conductor in the employ of the Hongkong Hotel was commanded by the Magistrate (Mr. Schofield) this morning for his capture of a bag-snatcher who victimised a Chinese woman in Queen's Road East yesterday. The culprit was given six months' gaol and 20 strokes of the birch, with an additional three months in the event of his being found physically unfit to receive the chastisement.

Han Wan, the principal monk of the Po Kong Yuen Monastery, at Lo Wan, T. W. district, has reported to the police that at 1.30 a.m. to-day, some person broke the window of the monastery and, after forcing the iron bars, entered the building. He blew a police whistle and sounded the monastery gong, and the intruder fled. He stated that he saw three men holding torches. Nothing was stolen.

A smart rescue was effected early this morning, when a sampan overturned off West Point, and threw its occupants into the water. The accident was noticed from the shore, and Revenue Officer Humphreys, taking charge of the rescue work, succeeded in picking up two of the occupants who were clinging to their overturned craft. No signs were seen of a third man who is believed to have been drowned.



"Look quick! Isn't that pretty!"

THE TRAGEDY OF EUROPE.

By "THE SENTINEL."

HE MUST be a dull and unimaginative man who does not feel the tragedy of the European scene. As each month slips by the economic storm blows with increasing fury and threatens a catastrophe no less ruinous than the Armageddon from which we have so recently emerged; while in the leading Capital's statesmen display a Lilliputian helplessness as if paralysed by the immensity of the dangers to which the nations are so narrowly exposed. Never was there so great a need for leadership, for the compelling direction of man capable of sweeping aside the superstitions and fears which every where infect national policy.

In the directors' room in the Bank of International Settlements in Bdale the "experts" were recently gathered together. With what purpose? To determine what had long been obvious to every one of them, in fact, already been established with almost ironic clarity by the Wiggin-Layton Report, that the maintenance of reparations and indemnities in their present form and on their present scale is at the root of the world crisis, and that common sense as well as world security demands an immediate moratorium for a period long enough to permit the machinery of international economic life to resume its normal workings.

It is apparently beyond the wisdom of European statesmen to devise a moratorium formula which without prejudicing the interests of any nation would free Europe from its nightmare and afford at least a reasonable chance for world recovery.

During the last week of November the International Conference on Disarmament—a private and unofficial organisation—met in Paris. Under its auspices a great public meeting was held in the Trocadero and was attended by distinguished diplomats and representative public men from many countries. The meeting was wrecked by carefully organised hooliganism. At the same time an anti-disarmament demonstration under the chairmanship of Colonel Marchand achieved a great success and what is perhaps more astonishing, was warmly approved by a considerable section of the Paris Press. These incidents illustrate the mood of a section of the French people. Finance and politics are interwoven in the viewpoint of the average Frenchman.

The interests of Great Britain in what is primarily a Franco-German question are vital. The bankruptcy of Germany would involve the merchants and bankers in heavy losses, which they can nowadays ill afford, but the indirect repercussions on industry and trade would be of far greater moment, and above all our future budgetary position would be completely undermined. We should be confronted with a very ugly position, the alternative of heavy additional taxation to enable us to meet our debt obligation to the United States or repudiation of those obligations. Further taxation on a sufficient scale would mean a definite lowering of our standards of living and a tragic decline of our industrial and financial

The decision of the Cunard Steam Ship Company to suspend work on the construction of the great new vessel No. 534 is an unpleasant though timely reminder of the sort of trials we may have to face. The initiative and enterprise of business men are circumscribed as never before by forces which lie altogether outside their control; commerce and industry are no longer free in a world in which every change in the political balance of power alters the appearance of balance-sheets and hinders or advances the plans for future development. It is a crazy world which this unfortunate generation seeks to master, and as we look back at the quiet orderliness and almost serene confidence of our Edwardian and Victorian forbears, we may be forgiven an envious sigh. With the morning coffee we study hardened and scarcely perturbed headlines which not so very long ago would have shaken our composure; we have lost our sensitiveness to shock, familiarity has bred complaisance.

Could we look into the future we should without a doubt behold a very strange and unfamiliar world. The alchemy of time is working with redoubled vigour, nothing in the whole range of human activities escapes its transfiguring influence. What will emerge? It is not given to us to know, but this at least we may safely predict, that unless in the psychology of nations tolerance and sympathy come to displace fear and suspicion the new age will be no more desirable than our own.

At a general meeting of the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club, which was held in the Union Assembly Hall last night, Mr. E. A. von Kobell-Nagy, gave an address to a number of lectures on the merits and demerits of cameras in the current exhibition. He took several of the pictures and made friendly criticism, showing both good and bad points, and at the conclusion he was thanked for his interesting and instructive address.

## SINGAPORE XMAS TRAGEDY.

## GOVT. HOUSE GUARD FOUND SHOT.

## DIES IN HOSPITAL.

Singapore, Dec. 26. A rifle shot which rang out in the grounds of Government House last night revealed a tragedy which has marred the Christmas Day festivities.

A young soldier of the 2nd Batt. the Gloucestershire Regiment, on guard duty was found lying seriously injured with a bullet wound in his head. He died later in hospital.

Shortly after 10 o'clock last night a shot was heard in Government House and on investigation Private Hennessey, of the 2nd Batt. Gloucestershire Regiment, was found lying badly wounded with a bullet in his head and his rifle by his side. He was rushed to hospital but he died about two hours later.

Private Hennessey, who belonged to C. Company, was on guard duty at the time. Only 24 years of age, he was due to go home at the next trooping season after several years of service abroad. He was not married.

As a sportsman Private Hennessey played Rugby for his company and was keen on all other games.

Details of the tragedy are not yet known, but it is thought possible that the rifle may have been accidentally discharged. Both the military and police authorities are most reticent and refuse to issue any statement. The only information that could be obtained from either of these sources was that a military inquiry would be held.

THE LYONS MAIL

## SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY

Sir John Martin Harvey gives an undeniably brilliant performance as Dubois in "The Lyons Mail," the British picture now showing at the Queen's, and in the twin-brother role of Lesqueroux he is hardly less convincing. But splendid character-acting alone has never made a good film and, as a whole, "The Lyons Mail" cannot be regarded as a credit to the British film industry.

It is hardly likely that the other players were selected merely as foils to the skill of the principal actor, and yet this is the impression quite definitely given. The play as produced by the Twickenham Studios might pass muster as the effort of a middling competent amateur theatrical group, but as a professional production, it sets a low standard.

The main weaknesses are possibly due to faulty direction. No attempt has been made to exploit the scope of the camera. There is not a single setting or action sequence in the picture which could not be reproduced on an ordinary stage. The director has also permitted or committed the still more "heinous" film-crime of dragging out the stage plot instead of speeding it up. Doubtless, it could be said in reply that the plot is exceedingly thin and offers many difficulties in the making of a full-length film. There are two ways of meeting such a problem, introducing something fresh, or abandoning the story for film purposes. In dealing with this particular melodrama, I am not sure which would have been better.—K.

## ROBBERS VISIT VILLAGES.

## TWO RAIDS REPORTED LAST NIGHT.

Two armed robberies overnight interrupted a long spell of immunity from such crimes which the Colony had enjoyed lately.

From Sheung Kwai Chung village comes the report that a farmer there was trussed up by robbers who broke into his hut after he had retired for the night, eventually escaping with a small sum of money and other property, including six chickens, from the farmyard which they had apparently included in the booty as an after-thought. The victim reported having had an unhappy time in being threatened with a dagger.

Sam On Chung village was the scene of another raid. Caution appears to have been thrown to the winds by the band concerned in this case, as it is reported that they made a terrible noise while breaking down the door. In view of this, it seems fatuous that they should have enjoined strict silence on the victim, also a farmer who was struck on the head with the butt-end of a revolver before he had even the time to speak. The value of the property taken away in this case was \$60.

## JAPANESE TROOPS AT THE FRONT.



Top, the coming of pay day brings smiles to the Japanese troops in Manchuria. Below, troops are seen at prayer while the remains of the fallen are cremated.

## NOT SUFFICIENT LIFEBELTS.

## MOTOR BOAT MASTER FINED.

"The lives of the general public when travelling have to be safeguarded," remarked the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, when imposing a fine of \$50 or six weeks' imprisonment on the master of the motor boat Moonraker I.

The accused, Cheung Chau, pleaded guilty to a charge of having failed to have on board his Class I motor boat, the Moonraker I, the required number of standard lifebelts when under way in the Harbour at 8.40 p.m. on January 3, 1932.

Hole, having admitted the charge, the accused said he should have had nine lifebelts on board, but he had two short. There were no passengers on board at the time.

Comdr. Hole—I don't care a bit how many passengers you had on board at the time. It is the regulation number of lifebelts that matters, and you should have had them on board.

Accused: Two might have been lost.

Comdr. Hole:—It is your business to have seen to it. It is a very serious offence, and I am going to make an example of you, because I happen to know that there is a remarkable shortage of lifebelts on boats, and it is a danger to the public who travel on these boats. The lives of the general public have to be safeguarded.

## NO AUTHORITY FOR PROSECUTION.

## CASES DISMISSED BY MAGISTRATE.

Unable to find any authority for the Police to prosecute under the Public Health and Building Ordinance, Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning dismissed two summonses against the proprietors of eating houses who were accused of selling wine to be consumed on their premises.

One of the defendants was represented by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks. After hearing the evidence of Sergeant Carruthers, the magistrate pointed out that there was no authority for Police Officers to prosecute under the Ordinance. He accordingly dismissed both summonses but remarked that if the Police found any authority he was prepared to re-open the cases.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Brooks said that the point had not occurred to him. He did not know of any authority for the police to prosecute under the Ordinance to prosecute under the Ordinance.

## RUGBY TOURISTS WIN AGAIN.

## COMBINED COUNTY XV HEAVILY DOWN.

LONDON, Jan. 6. The South African rugger tourists to-day defeated a combined Cumberland and Yorkshire XV by 27 points to five. The match was played at Workington—Reuter.

His Worship adjourned the case until Saturday morning.

## THE NEW FRENCH DESTROYER.

## UNIT OF POWERFUL FORCE OF 30 SHIPS.

It is believed that the Tartu, the new French destroyer which has just been launched, will be one of the fastest vessels of her kind in the world, having a speed of more than 36 knots.

The ship is one of twelve vessels begun in 1928 and now completing. Though rated as torpedo-boat-destroyers, these ships are in reality small cruisers, or destroyer-cruisers, and when completed will form a very powerful cruiser force.

Of 2,480 tons, standard, the Tartu mounts five 6.1-inch guns, one 3-inch anti-aircraft gun, four one-pounder anti-aircraft guns, and six 21.7 torpedo tubes, in two triple mountings. With the enormous horse-power of 70,000, she is expected to achieve 38 knots on trial, and at 18 knots she will have a radius of action of 2,600 to 3,000 miles.

The armament of these ships, it will be seen, is very powerful for vessels of such tonnage, and the comparatively small radius of action at economical speed indicates that they are intended for comparatively local work, as they have insufficient radius for protracted ocean cruises.

The speed of these vessels is less note-worthy than their armament, being, indeed, little, if at all, in excess of British destroyers under Service conditions, H.M.S. Coddington having maintained 38 knots for four hours on trial.

Trial speeds are generally carried out on a light draught, which gives an incorrect idea of the speeds obtained at full draught.

## A BRITISH COMPARISON.

It is of interest to note that the British destroyer Tartar built by Messrs. Thornycroft, a quarter of a century ago, attained a recorded trial speed of 36.7 knots, which speed, was in reality considerably exceeded.

When the current programme of these small cruisers is completed France will have 30 of these vessels, mounting 150 of the very powerful 6.1-inch guns. As commerce raiders they would prove formidable craft in the absence of convoy, and an adequate fleet of convoy cruisers.

On the completion of the 1930 programme of destroyers, Great Britain will have 153 destroyers and flotilla leaders averaging approximately 1,200 tons and including 116 of fourteen years of age and over.

France will have 90, including the 30 vessels of this new type, 26 destroyers corresponding nearly to our latest types, and 34 older destroyers, which are, however, by no means obsolete.

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## SMOOTHER SHAVES.

## GILLETTE INTRODUCES NEW RAZOR AND BLADE.

The Gillette Safety Razor Company, after selling the world more than 110,000,000 razors and more than 5,000,000,000 razor blades during the last 28 years, has brought out an entirely new razor and blade, new in principle and design, which gives a better shave and eliminates many of the unpleasant features of shaving. The Gillette factory is in operation 24 hours a day, turning out 80,000 new razors and 2,700,000 new blades each day. This production will have to be maintained steadily it is said, in order to fill the orders already on hand.

As an important part of the distribution of this huge output, the Gillette Safety Razor Company is planning to spend £2,000,000 in advertising during the coming year, according to Frank J. Falvey, vice-president and general manager of the company. The most important newspapers of the world, including the Hongkong Telegraph will be used.

The new razor will sell at moderate prices, and the blades will cost no more than the old-style blades. The new blades can be used in the old type Gillette razor, but for results the New Gillette Blade should be used in the New Gillette Razor.

The New Gillette razor will eliminate "razor pull." This is often caused by the fact that the corner of the guard becomes bent when the razor is dropped on the floor or washstand, thus throwing the blade out of alignment. The new razor and blade correct this and the blade is kept in perfect adjustment always. Another feature of the new razor is that it does not have to be taken apart to be washed. The blades are rust-resisting and after use the frame is loosened, the guard turned at right angles to it and rinsed in water, and then the razor is laid on the shelf to dry.

It is stated also that the new razor will shave much better in the difficult places, around the corners of the mouth, and the nose, and the ears.

Readers may look forward to finding the new Gillette razors and blades at their dealers in the very near future.

## RADIO BROADCAST

## EUROPEAN CHILDREN'S CONCERT.

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 365 metres, 6.00-8.00 p.m. European programme. 8.00-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert. 10.30 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.

5.00-5.35 p.m. Selections from the Opera "Carmen" (Blitz).

Song-Love Is Like A Wood-bird.

Marie Verita (Soprano). 8.09.1.

Band Selections.

Creates and His Band. 3.58.1-2.

Song-Torador Song. Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 8.12.4.

5.35-6.05 p.m. European children's Programme from the Studio.

6.05-6.38 p.m. Orchestral.

Along The Banks of the Volga (Bochot).

March Weber and His Orch. B.28.2.

L'Apprenti Sorcier (Paul Dukas).

Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of

New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini. 7.02.1.

Waltz (Ravel).

Albert Coates and Symphony Orch.

9.13.0.

Dance Of The Spirits of the Earth (Gustav Holst).

Contes and Symphony Orch. 9.13.1.

7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations and

Mail Notice).

6.38-7.25 p.m. Variety.

Humorous Song-What Archibald Says Goes.

Gracie Fields. B.35.92.

Song-It's A Habit Of Mine.

Song-On Top Of The World Alone.

Maurice Chevalier (Baritone). 22.07.

Xylophone with Orchestra-Plane

Pastimes.

Xylophone with Orchestra-Bull-fighter

March.

The Three Brothers Nehring. B.30.17.

Vocal-As Time Goes By.

Vocal-Begging For Love.

Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees. 27.73.1.

Song-Together.

Anna Winn (Soprano). B.27.45.

Organ Solo-Duet Song.

Organ Solo-Riff Song.

Reginald Foote. B.24.63.

Humorous Song-We're Living At The Cloisters.

Humorous Song-So Tired.

Gracie Fields. B.27.39.

Song-Goodnight Sweetheart.

Russ Columbo (Baritone). 22.82.6.

7.25-7.55 p.m. Instrumental.

Violin Solo-Cavatina (Raff).

Violin Solo-Serenade (Tonelli).

Dieg Weismann. B.37.70.

Piano Solo-Ballad In F Major Op. 38 (Chopin).

Alfred Cortot. D. B. 34.4.

Violin Solo-Vocalise (Rachmaninoff-Piano).

Piano Solo-Caprice in E Flat Major (Wieniawski-Kreisler).

Mischa Elman. 13.4.

Piano Solo-Ballade in F Minor Op. 52 (Chopin).

Alfred Cortot. D. B. 34.4.

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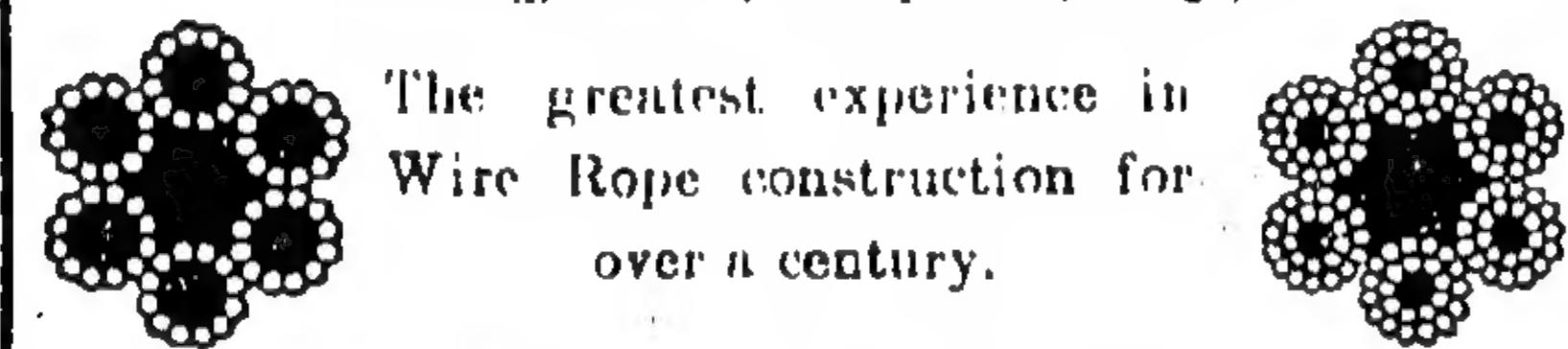
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### CINEMA SCREENINGS.

#### NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Nine unusual feminine outfits enhance Clara Bow's flare in "Her Wedding Night." Presented as a svelte woman of fashion, it is a new Clara Bow who will make her appearance at the King's Theatre, where "Her Wedding Night" is now showing.

Travis Banton, designer of ultra modern wardrobes for Paramount stars devoted his ultra-modern ideas, gathered on his recent Paris trip, to Miss Bow's outfit. It includes two street dresses, two afternoon dresses, one sports frock, one evening gown, two lounging pyjama ensembles and a striking negligee.

Of the street frocks, one is of beige and black crepe, trimmings, trimmed with black fox. With this Miss Bow wears a velvet hat of black and beige. Her second street outfit is blue crepe, tailored, and trimmed with white piping. With this costume, she wears a corsage of white, blue and red carnations and a blue hat.

The first of her pyjama ensembles to be seen in the picture is black satin and white crepe with an embroidered robe of the same materials. Miss Bow's sports frock is of white crepe with brown velvetine coat, and, with this, she wears a white straw hat with large figured trim.

Her evening gown, declared to be the most striking creation ever worn by the little star in any of her pictures, is of plain black chiffon heavily beaded. Two afternoon dresses of figured chiffons complete the wardrobe.

"Her Wedding Night" is a style reveal beyond even Banton's creations for Clara Bow. Three other noted beauties of Hollywood are in the supporting cast, Rosita Moran, Genevieve Mitchell and Natalie Kingston. For each of these Banton designed several striking costumes certain to win the admiration and envy of feminine hearts everywhere.

"Silence" Coming.

Authors who write stage plays are now adapting their own dramas for the screen.

Max Marcin, author of the play "Silence," which was an outstanding dramatic success on Broadway a few seasons ago, made all the changes necessary for transferring the story to film, and, with Louis Gasnier, directed the production at the Paramount studio.

Likewise, Zoo Akins, author of the stage hit, "Daddy's Gone A-Hunting," which appeared on the screen under the title of "Women Love Once," wrote the original and dialogue for the film.

Marvin's play, "Silence" will show at the King's Theatre next Sunday, was produced by Crosby Gaige in New York, and opened at the National Theatre in November, 1924, with H. B. Warner in the starring role. It is a complicated melodrama, motivated by an attractive crook who brings death and disgrace to the girl he loves, and, years afterwards, finds his own daughter imperilled by his lawless past. To save her he faces the gallows with his lips tightly sealed, as if the secrets which would drag her also to shame.

Clive Brook, Marjorie Rambeau, Peggy Shannon, and Charles Starrett are seen in the leading roles of the screen play in which the action takes place over a period of more than twenty years. Miss Shannon, who recently made her screen debut with Richard Arlen in "The Secret Call," plays two roles in "Silence," seen, first, as the wife and, later, as the daughter of Clive Brook. These two characters never meet in the action, however.

Marvin a veteran stage playwright

has been directing motion pictures for several months. With Gasnier, a veteran of thirty years screen experience, he recently directed "The Lawyer's Secret."

Joan Introduces new Song.

Joan Crawford offers a new song number in "Laughing Sinners," her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle which will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

The song is "What Can I Do—I Love That Man" written by Martin Brookes and Arthur Freed especially for the production which was directed by Harry Beaumont from the Kenyon Nicholson stage hit, "The Torch Song." It is one of the few new songs to make its debut from the screen and the first time Joan has sung it, pictured since "Montana Moon."

In the dramatic picture, the song serves as an atmospheric background in many episodes after it is originally tendered by the star in Helen Morgan style in the opening roadhouse scenes which motivate the story.

Nell Hamilton and Clark Gable share leading man honours in the new film and the cast includes Marjorie Rambeau, Guy Kibbee, Cliff Edwards, Roscoe Karns, Gertrude Short, George Cooper, George F. Marion and Bert Woodruff.

"Mother's Millions."

"Mother's Millions," which opened yesterday at the Central Theatre, is a remarkable example of a mighty good play transferred almost bodily and in toto to the screen, and with equally good, if not better results. Howard McKane Barnes wrote the play originally for May Robson's use. Though this reviewer never saw it, it is understood to have been a financial and artistic success for Miss Robson. It was this success which inspired her to use it as a vehicle for her talking picture debut. It is remarkable, of course, because it lent itself so remarkably to transcription to the screen. Winnifred Dunn is credited with the adaptation. It is still more remarkable for the vital and gripping performance of May Robson. This is not to be wondered at. The play was written for her, and James Flood very wisely retained the splendid dramatic climaxes, the appropriate comedy relief episodes as well as the stage charac-

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**ROYAL MAIL CASE.****DUTIES OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.****COUNSEL'S OPINION.**

The following is an opinion given by Mr. Wilfrid Greene, K.C., and Mr. Cecil W. Turner to the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants:

We have considered very carefully whether the Council of the Institute could properly and usefully issue any form of general pronouncement for the guidance of their members on the questions and matters discussed in the recent case arising out of the affairs of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company.

It appears to us, for more reasons than one, that no such pronouncement is really feasible.

In the first place, the Council have very responsible functions of a judicial character to perform; and it is of the utmost importance that their hands should be in no way tied by their being committed to statements (which must of necessity be of a wide and general nature) on matters within the purview of their jurisdiction, which might be quoted before them as being applicable to circumstances in which they were not intended to relate.

Secondly, it is of the utmost importance that they should say nothing on questions admitting of diverse views that might hamper their members in any possible future proceedings. We can imagine cases arising in which a member resisting a claim might be embarrassed by having a pronouncement of his own Institute quoted against him, when without it a departure from the general principle laid down could more easily be justified in the special circumstances of his case.

**Formidable Difficulty.**

The third and perhaps the most formidable difficulty arises from a consideration of the circumstances in which the propositions enunciated by the learned Judge in the case in question came to be propounded. The case in question was a criminal and not a civil case; it related to a Chartered Company and not to a limited company of the ordinary kind, and it rested upon a complicated set of facts and figures which were peculiar to the case, and the text of the summing-up. It is a familiar rule of construction that a judgment

should be construed with special reference to the facts of the case. It may be dangerous to take general expressions out of their context and treat them as laying down principles applicable to all possible circumstances. More especially would it be dangerous to do this in the case of a summing-up in a criminal case. The object which the Judge has in view in such a case is to furnish the jury with a legal foundation for the particular set of facts on which they are called upon to exercise their judgment. He must always have primarily in mind the details of the particular case, and the fact that the jury are not legal experts.

It may well be, therefore, that the Judge in such a case would express himself in different language from that which he would use if he were delivering judgment in a civil action. He may lay down general propositions which are in no way misleading as applied to the facts before the jury, although they may be susceptible of qualification in various directions if sought to be applied to all cases.

**Danger of Extracts.**

For these reasons it seems to us that to put together selected extracts from the Judge's summing-up in the case in question, isolated from their context and from the facts of the case, might result in attributing to the Judge an intention to lay down wider propositions of law than were necessary for his purpose or than he really had in mind.

Extracts of this kind must necessarily form the foundation of any pronouncement by the Council, since it is the summing-up in question which has, naturally enough, given rise to requests by members for guidance on the questions with which it dealt.

The difficulty then really lies in drawing upon any such extracts as we have indicated any principles either of general or of particular application which would both afford a clear guide to a practitioner and be certainly consonant with the law and with the Judge's views. By

**SYDNEY'S BRIDGE.****GRAF ZEPPELIN MAY FLY TO OPENING.**

Sydney, Jan. 6. Provided the Commonwealth Government does not object, the Graf Zeppelin may visit Sydney in connexion with the opening of the giant harbour bridge on March 19. —Reuter.

Why of illustration, we may perhaps refer shortly to the question of what are often termed "secret" or "undisclosed" or "inner" reserves. When these expressions are examined, it becomes apparent that they are not expressions which have a clear and well-defined meaning, and that they, or one or more of them, may be applied to a number of different types of reserves. Probably even experienced accountants would not all agree as to their exact scope and meaning. It follows, therefore, that a general proposition which might be applicable to one type of "secret" reserve might not be equally applicable to another, or that a given proportion might be applicable to a flagrant or extreme case, though not to one where no "misleading" was involved.

**Profit and Loss Account.**

We have been asked whether the duties and responsibilities of an auditor extend to the Profit and Loss Account, though it is not specifically reported upon to the members of a company. In our opinion, having regard to the fact that the balance-sheet contains one of its items the balance brought in from the Profit and Loss Account, they cannot dissociate themselves from all responsibility for the correctness of that account, and there may be cases in which it would be incumbent upon them to draw the attention of the shareholders to any feature of that account which in their view involved anything of an improper or misleading character.

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D. J. N. Anderson, b Reed	29
P. L. Tan, b Whitley	1
H. Nomanbhoy, c Reed, b Hulse	46
H. E. Ng, long run out	1
B. K. Ng, b Prata	1
W. K. Choa, b Broadbridge	1
A. A. Aziz, c Frith, b Hulse	18
M. Yannaboy, not out	0
S. B. Tata, b Broadbridge	0
P. B. Tata, not out	13
Extras	13
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N. Whitley ..... 10 1 36 1

A. Prata ..... 10 3 44 1

B. Reed ..... 5 1 35 1

A. J. Hulse ..... 6 1 18 2

A. da Roza ..... 2 1 5 2

Broadbridge ..... 2 1 12 2

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A. Prata, b Yannaboy

R. J. Reed, c P. B. Tata, b Nomanbhoy

N. Broadbridge, b Tan

N. Whitley, st. Ng, b Nomanbhoy

A. J. Hulse, b Anderson

A. Zimmern, b Yannaboy

J. Whin, b Yannaboy

P. H. Power, b. w., b Yannaboy

Ilu Kwai, b Yannaboy

E. Frith, not out

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W. K. Choa ..... 3 1 22 2

P. L. Tan ..... 10.4 5 28 2

H. Nomanbhoy ..... 6 1 19 10

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A. A. Aziz ..... 3 1 8 10

D. Hunt ..... 2 1 10 1

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CHILDREN'S SPORTS.

#### HAPPY GATHERING ON H.K.F.C. GROUND.

Children of members of the United Service Lodge, No. 1331 E.C., and their parents spent a happy afternoon on the Hongkong Football Club ground at Happy Valley yesterday when a combined sports meeting was held. A Christmas tree, from which presents and prizes were distributed by Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, was a happy accompaniment to the function. At the conclusion cheers were given for Mrs. Owen Hughes and for Father Christmas, impersonated by Mr. H. E. Budden. Appreciation also went to Mr. C. Bayliss, whose get-up as a golliwog was excellent and afforded no end of amusement. The results of the races follow:

Girls under 7—1st, Pauline Ewing; 2nd, Betty Whitmore.

Girls over 7—1st, Nancy Kerrison; 2nd, Iris McFarlane.

Boys under 7—1st, Guy Hollands; 2nd, Duncan McTavish.

Boys over 7—1st, Teddy Ramskill; 2nd, Buster Hollands.

Ladies' Race, finished in the following order: Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Medina, Mrs. Chawell, Mrs. Farlow, and Mrs. Whitmore.

**FANLING GOLF.**

#### FIRST ROUND RESULTS OF CAPTAIN'S CUP.

In the first round of the match play stages of the Captain's Cup of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club the following were the full results:

J. E. Richardson (13) beat E. D. Matthews (9) (4 and 3).

A. C. I. Bowker (8) beat W. C. Shields (6) (2 and 1).

R. M. Wood (17) received walk over from Capt. J. H. Anderson (6).

C. W. F. Booker (6) beat F. Black (10) (1 up).

McMahon (14) beat J. W. Mayhew (12) (1st 22nd hole).

H. Hampton (11) received walk over from Capt. A. W. Davison (12).

Sgt. Lieut. Com. E. J. R. Weeks (12) beat J. H. Anderson (12) (1 up).

The second round matches are to be concluded on or before January 19.

The teams were as follow:

Civilians: C. L. Gregory; W. Woodward, J. Rodger; W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand (Capt.), E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. B. Evans, and J. L. Tetley.

Army:—Ford; Pole, Capt. Huxford; Jack, Lt. Tyler, Davis; Lt. MacFarlan, Johnson, Smith, Capt. Morgan and Williams.

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## HUMAN AND FUKIEN'S HELP SOUGHT.

Canton, Jan. 6. Attention has been attracted by the military commanders' recommendation for the formation of the South-western China Political Council, and in this connexion prominent Canton leaders, including Generals Chan Chai-tong, Pei Chung-hai, Li Yung-ching, Heung Han-ping, Mao Pei-nam, and Messrs. Lin Yi-chung, Teng Tae-ju, and Shino Fu-cheung, met on Monday evening at the Military Headquarters. After a long deliberation they resolved that it would be advisable to invite the Human and Fukien Provincial heads to join in this administration in addition to representatives from Szechuan, Kweliuchow and Yunnan.

On account of its remoteness and the fact that it is governed by more than one military faction it is doubtful if Szechuan will be properly represented in this Council.

## New Finance Commissioner.

Political gossip states that Mr. Feng Chu-wan, the Provincial Finance Commissioner, who is visiting Nanking, has been recommended by Mr. Sun Fo as Assistant Finance Minister in Nanking. Consequently his post in Canton may be assigned to Mr. Hu Han-min's associate and chief secretary, Mr. Li Sien-kan.

## A Significant Report.

Nanking, Jan. 6. Much significance is attached to a report received from Hongkong that Yu Han-men, a subordinate of Chan Chai-tong, is planning an expedition to Fukien for the suppression of "bandits."

The report declares that a conference of Canton military officials on the 3rd inst. discussed measures for this expedition, and also steps to effect an alliance between Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan, Szechuan and Kweliuchow. It is further reported that the Kwangtung and Kwangsi authorities have decided to cease remitting Customs revenues to Nanking as the funds are needed for rehabilitation purposes.—*Reuter*.

## REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

## SIR JOHN SIMON'S VIEW.

London, Jan. 6. Speaking at a luncheon to foreign journalists, Sir John Simon referred to the forthcoming Disarmament Conference, at which sixty States may be represented, and the Reparations Conference.

The British Government would be very greatly relieved if the reparations meeting were held earlier rather than later, in view of the Parliamentary session, which would prevent the attendance of the Ministers affected. Certainly if the Premier were attending, the conference must begin about January 18.

## Britain's Fiscal Policy.

He emphasized the desire of Britain to contribute to the utmost towards solution of world problems, and finally emphasized that



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## JAPAN'S POLICY.

## MR. SHIGEMITSU GOING TO TOKYO.

Tokyo, Jan. 6. It is learned that Mr. Shigemitsu, at his own request, is returning to Japan shortly for the purpose of consulting his Government on its general policy towards China.

Prior to leaving, Mr. Shigemitsu will visit Mr. Eugene Chen, but it is authoritatively denied that the visit purposes to pave the way for opening direct negotiations, as Japan remains adamant that China must first recognize the Japanese five fundamental principles.

## Manchurian Autonomy.

The autonomy of Manchuria is one of the three most important principles which ought to emerge from the present situation, said General Minami in a statement to the press on his arrival at Moji, on returning from Manchuria. The other two are the open door and equal opportunity for all.

Gen. Minami is reported as saying that Japan need not worry what sort of government is established in Manchuria, but "another Japan nor the Chinese Government, nor any third party, ought to be allowed to interfere with the new government's administrative policies." —*Reuter*.

## Powers May Act.

New York, Jan. 6.

Commenting on yesterday's Ambassador's talk, the *New York Times* Washington correspondent predicts further joint diplomatic representations, and also steps to effect the invocation of the Nine Power Treaty of 1922, to protect their interests and prevent war in China.

The *Herald Tribune* also forecasts concerted developments, "following a day of significance and new moves in the Manchurian situation." —*Reuter's American Service*.

## British Interest.

London, Jan. 6. Sir John Simon, in an address at a luncheon to foreign journalists, said that most difficult and anxious questions affecting Asia and Europe may arise at the next Council of the League.

As regards Manchuria, he expressed a heartfelt hope that abroad as well as at home, a warm welcome would be given to Lord Lytton, and the other British representatives to the commission of enquiry. Britain has secured the services of a most distinguished man, who knows at first hand a good deal of the problems of that part of the world. —*Reuter*.

London, Jan. 6. It is announced officially that Lord Lytton has accepted nomination as British representative on the League's Manchurian Commission. —*Reuter*.

London, Jan. 6. The very stringent action taken by the Government to maintain its currency and correct the balance of trade was an emergency action. He declared that Britain's permanent fiscal policy was a matter for future consideration. —*Reuter*.

London, Jan. 6. "He must have gone around to Shay's with a warrant last night after we left. The Fly and his pals—by the way, that mug with him is his chauffeur, the one that did the driving for him every time—anyway, they got out the side door and head it. Now Jack's sort of me—thinks I stood on him, I'll be lucky if he doesn't throw Mike out, too, and I'll have to lay my pipelines all over again. I'll be years before Jack will trust me with a birth announcement, much less a piece of real news. Well, that's the breaks—but I could poke that lover of yours. Keep him away from me, if you want him to stay pretty."

## GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

It was too late. Have you seen this paper?"

"Which paper?" Dreadful suspicion assailed her.

"All of them. They have copies of Mrs. Jupiter's will. It was filed for probate yesterday."

"What about Mrs. Jupiter's will?"

"Well, don't you know?"

"No, no—no one's told me—I never thought to ask."

"Say, you're the coolest proposition I ever saw. Don't money make any difference to you at all? Why she left you first choice of her jewels—the rest are to go to her son's wife if he marries, and to you if he doesn't. That makes you half a million ahead—or, thereabouts."

Mary said "Wait. Let me think." She learned her forehead against the cool metal of the telephone mouthpiece. Presently, when she could trust herself to speak, she said:

"That's wonderful. But how do you make it half a million—even if the money value were to be considered?"

"The necklace, kid, the necklace! Don't tell me you'd pass up a gold mine like that if it's offered to you?"

There was an edge to her voice when she answered: "I don't know anything about this, but it's true I can tell you this—choose anything else but the necklace! You can tell your pap?"

"All right. But don't get sor at me. I tell you I've nothing to do with it."

"Do the papers say I chose the necklace?"

"No, they just say—well, get 'em and read 'em yourself. They don't say anything but what a reasonable human would take to be granted."

"Oh, how dare they? Oh, I wish I was sure you had nothing to do with it! Dirk told me—oh—She was crying now with helpless mortification. For a minute or more the sound of her dry sobs echoed in the telephone.

"I'm sorry. I've stopped if I could. But after all, people are bound to speculate about you—you're in the public eye—you're young—you're beautiful—you've got the kind of luck that ever, shoppish wishes she had—"

"Oh, don't say any more!"

There was a pause.

"All right, Miss Harkness," Bowen said stiffly. "Sorry I bothered you. But at least, don't blame me for the Fly skipping town—blame that on your high-minded boy friend."

"Dirk? Why, what—?"

"He must have gone around to Shay's with a warrant last night after we left. The Fly and his pals—by the way, that mug with him is his chauffeur, the one that did the driving for him every time—anyway, they got out the side door and head it. Now Jack's sort of me—thinks I stood on him, I'll be lucky if he doesn't throw Mike out, too, and I'll have to lay my pipelines all over again. I'll be years before Jack will trust me with a birth announcement, much less a piece of real news. Well, that's the breaks—but I could poke that lover of yours. Keep him away from me, if you want him to stay pretty."

Mary came to Dirk's defence more from a sense of propriety

## A NEW ARRIVAL.

## THE ST. QUENTIN CALLS AT HONGKONG.

The St. Quentin arrived in port on Tuesday

was the St. Quentin from Calcutta under the command of Captain J. D. Jones, who is also her owner. The crew consists of 19 British, one Dutchman and ten Asiatics.

The St. Quentin brought a cargo of coal for Hongkong, which she discharged here, and will proceed to Whampoa to discharge more coal.

The St. Quentin is a steel screw vessel with a nominal horse power of 27, and was built in 1915 by The Godalming, S. B. Company for the St. Quentin Shipping Company, Ltd. Her first name was Balinszey, her second Penrhyn, and her third, Lady Plymouth. Her gross tonnage is 3,522 tons and her net tonnage 2,210 tons. Her port of registry is Newport. She is a length of 349 feet; a breadth of 39 feet and a depth of 23.6 feet. She is equipped with wireless.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Friday, the 15th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 12th January, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyor.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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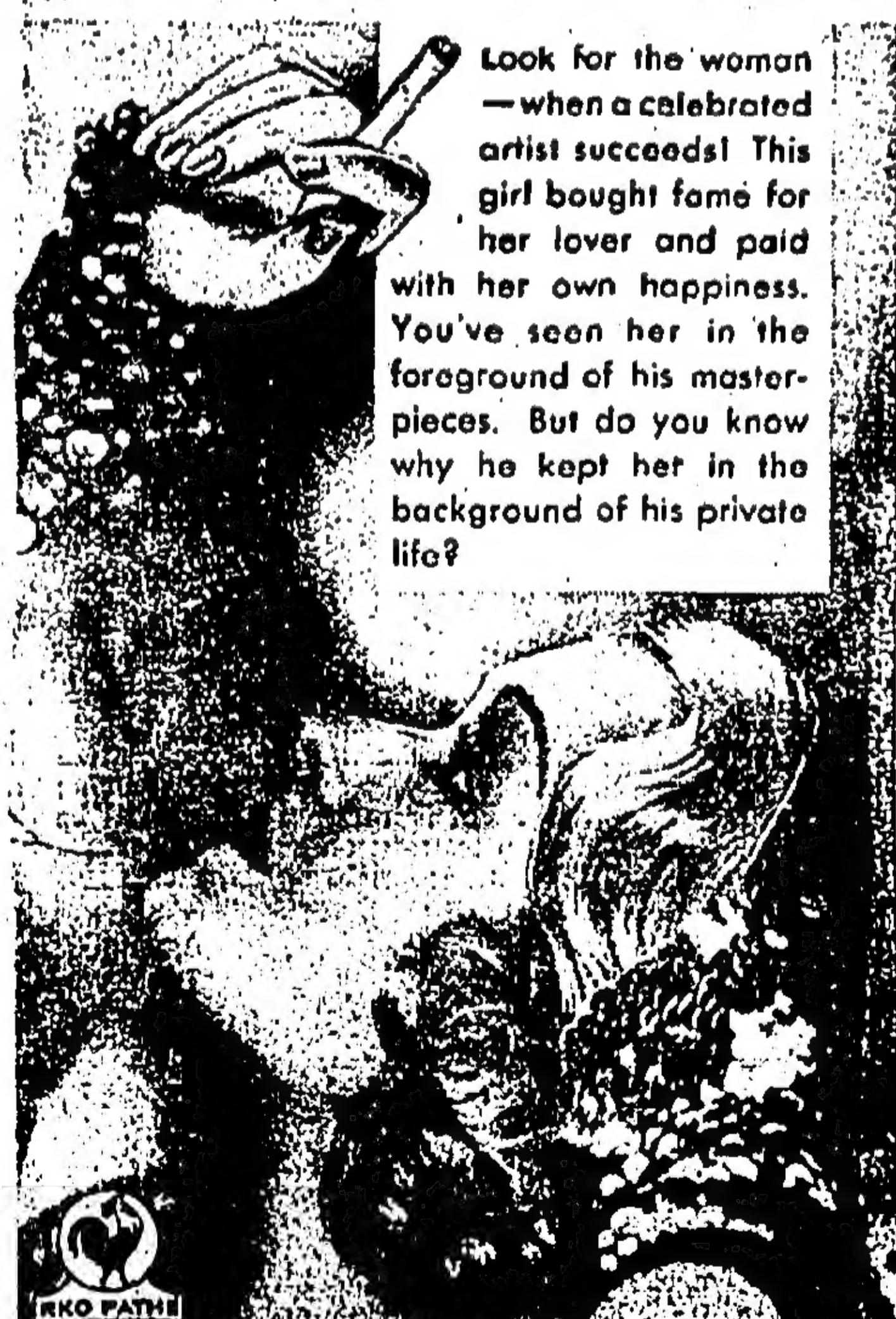
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## DEATH OF M. ANDRE MAGINOT.

### FRENCH MINISTER FOR WAR.

### CHAMPION OF THE EX-SERVICE MAN.

Paris, Jan. 7. Fifteen ex-Service men have lost their best champion by the death early this morning of the War Minister, M. Andre Maginot, at the age of fifty-four. He was taken ill with typhoid fever a little more than a fortnight ago.

In his earlier days a civil servant, he acted at one time as director of the interior in the Government of Algeria. He was first elected to the Chamber in 1910 as deputy for the Meuse Department. In the Doumergue Cabinet of 1913 he was Under-Secretary in the Ministry. One of his tasks was to pilot the 3 years' service law through the Chamber, but after the war he became an advocate of the reduction of the period to 18 months. He had fought at the front as an officer, but after being rendered unfit for service by serious wounds he was made president of the Army Commission and Minister for the Colonies in the Ribot Cabinet.

In the Millerand Govt. of 1928, he was Minister of Pensions—a post he retained in the Leguay, Briand and Poincaré Cabinets, as he had won the confidence of ex-service men.

Under Poincaré, Maginot also took the portfolio of War Department, thus relieving the Minister of his duties and enabling him to act in a double capacity.

He directed the operations of the French troops during the occupation of the Ruhr.

On the Cabinet reconstruction in March 1924, he retained his position, but in June the Government fell and was succeeded by a Herriot Cabinet. He did not hold office in the original Ministry of National Union formed by Poincaré in July, 1926, as his strongly Nationalistic attitude would have been repugnant to the Ministers representing the parties of the Left. But when the four Radical-Socialists resigned from the Govt. in Nov. 1928, and it was reconstructed, Maginot was appointed Colonial Minister.

In the spring of 1929 he made a long tour across the Sahara to French West Africa to investigate its development. As a result he decided to raise a loan of £12,000,000 for the harnessing of the Niger and other schemes. He retained his post in the Briand Government formed on Poincaré's resignation in July, 1929.

At the end of Jan. 1927, on the resignation of Millerand, Maginot, who had founded the "Groupe d'Action Démocratique et Sociale," became president of the National

## BRITISH AIRCRAFT LEADERSHIP.

### BRAZIL'S ORDER FOR MOTH PLANES.

London, Jan. 6. Fifteen Moth training aeroplanes have recently been ordered by Brazil. They will be the first British machines placed by contract in the Brazilian Army Air Service.

The order was awarded after a comparison of the Moth with seven competitive types of machine put forward by the constructors of four nations.

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Similar craft have been supplied recently for flying training to the Governments of Portugal, Sweden, China, Iraq and Egypt.—British Wireless.

### HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

#### OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

With the exception of a strong demand for Wharves, Hotels and Trams, the rest of the market was somewhat quiet this morning.

#### Sales.

Trams, \$22.40.  
Unions, \$410.  
Steamboats, \$24.

Hotels (New), \$14,000/15,000.  
Powells, \$30.

#### Buyers.

Wharves, \$154.  
Doughases, \$241.  
Chinese Estates, \$36.

Singapore Tractions, 37.

H.K. Ropes, \$18.

Lane, Crawfords (old), \$6,40.

Constructions (new), \$1,80.

Hotels (Old), \$15,35.

Hotels (New), \$14,85.

Providents (old), \$5,36.

Providents (new), \$2,40.

Trams, \$22.40.

Cements (old), \$125.

Dairy Farms, \$29.

Powells, \$31.

H.K. Govt. Loan, \$214% premium.

#### Sellers.

Indo-Chinas (Prof.), \$45.

Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$32.

Itaubs, \$38.

Entertainments (old), \$100.

Republican League. He protested against the evacuation of the Rhineland and in June, 1927, demanded the rupture of relations between France and the Soviet.

Devoted to the cause of disabled soldiers, he was in 1926 appointed chairman of the Office National des Mutilés.—Reuter and I.B.S.

The victim was found dead this morning at the Kam Tak Sheung watchmen's matched on the Tai Po Road, near the Three Miles Stone. He was apparently strangled with a piece of rope.

Deceased was a native of Sam

Door Chuk Village and was em

ployed as a stone-breaker.

The motive is believed to have

been robbery but whether anything

was taken is unknown.

## GROSS CRUELTY TO GIRL.

### BADLY BURNED WITH JOSS STICKS.

#### PRISON SENTENCE.

Just punishment was meted out to a middle-aged woman of a village in the Shoung Shui District by Mr. T. Megarry, District Officer of the New Territories, yesterday, when sentence of four months' hard labour without the option of a fine was imposed for an act of gross cruelty to a girl about nine years of age.

It was revealed to the Court that some three weeks ago, Mr. L.H.C. Calthrop, (Assistant Superintendent of Police) was on his way from Takulung to Shoung Shui when he met the defendant trying to catch the girl in order to administer chastisement for some minor offence. The Superintendent stopped and ordered an Indian sergeant in protocol to take both to the Shoung Shui Police Station for investigations. The party of three accordingly walked to the Station and, after interrogation, the police were satisfied and sent the girl and the woman home again.

On reaching home, a distance of about three miles from the Police Station, the woman scolded the girl for having made her walk to and from the Police Station. The defendant, it was alleged, stripped the girl and, using a joss stick, severely burned her in different parts of her body. She was in a terrible condition when she was later found by the police and sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital, where she was detained for about three weeks before being able to attend Court.

It is understood that the girl will be handed over to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

## MURDER ON THE TAIPO ROAD.

### ROBBERY SUGGESTED AS MOTIVE.

Very meagre details are at present available regarding the murder of a stone-breaker in the New Territories on the Tai Po Road sometime between yesterday evening and this morning.

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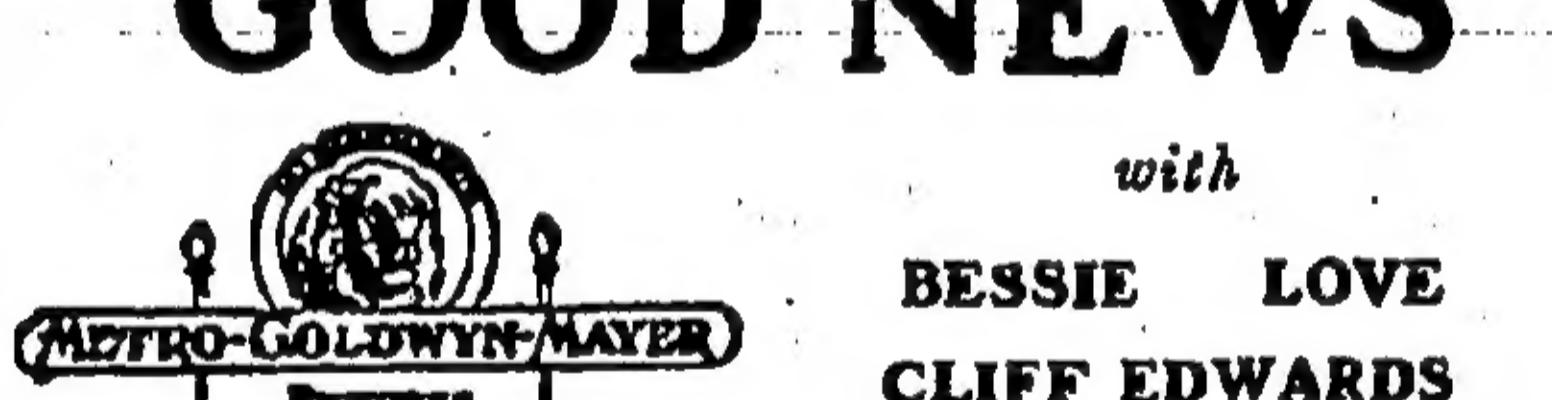
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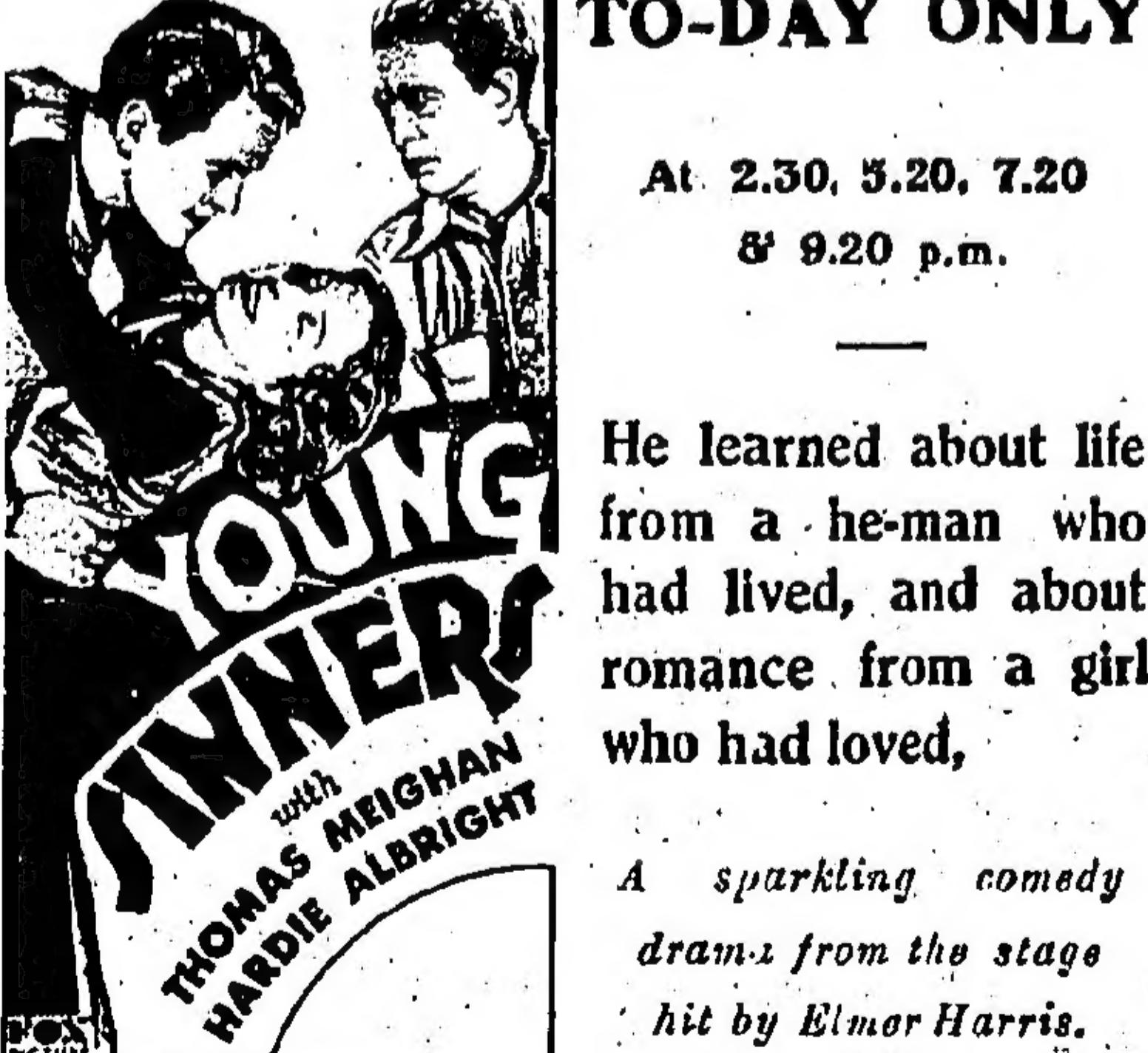
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